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"For these corporations, NAFTA mean[s] freedom to maximize profits with less government intervention in business affairs." Kristin Dawkins and William Carroll Muffett, *The Progressive* January, 1993

Free

Hoquiam Mill Closings Show How NAFTA Works

Beth Burrows

I was about to leave for a trip to visit family when the phone rang. It was WIP asking if I would be willing to share the speech I gave at the Hoquiam Solidarity Rally, December 13.

"Sure," I said, flattered.

"Great," WIP said, sounding relieved. And then WIP discovered I had spoken extemporaneously and I discovered no one had taped it or taken notes...

So here I am, 25 or 30 thousand feet above the Rocky Mountains, trying to remember what I said. (I promised I'd try to remember) I had a written speech for that Hoquiam Sunday. I was supposed to stand before a rally for the displaced workers of the ITT Rayonier and Grays Harbor Paper Mill and talk about the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). That was what was supposed to happen. Preceding me at the podium were a lot of people who lived in Hoquiam-Aberdeen who talked about what had happened to the community and to the people. I listened and I took notes on the back of my speech. Then Rosalinda Guillen, Whatcom County Rainbow Coalition, got up and explained why we were all there. She told how we had all been to a conference at Evergreen State College and how we decided to form an Environment, Labor, and Social Justice Coalition to work on areas of common concern and how the first act of our coalition was to rally in support of the displaced workers of the ITT Rayonier and Grays Harbor Mill. Then she introduced me. I went to the microphone. Here's some of what (I think) I said:

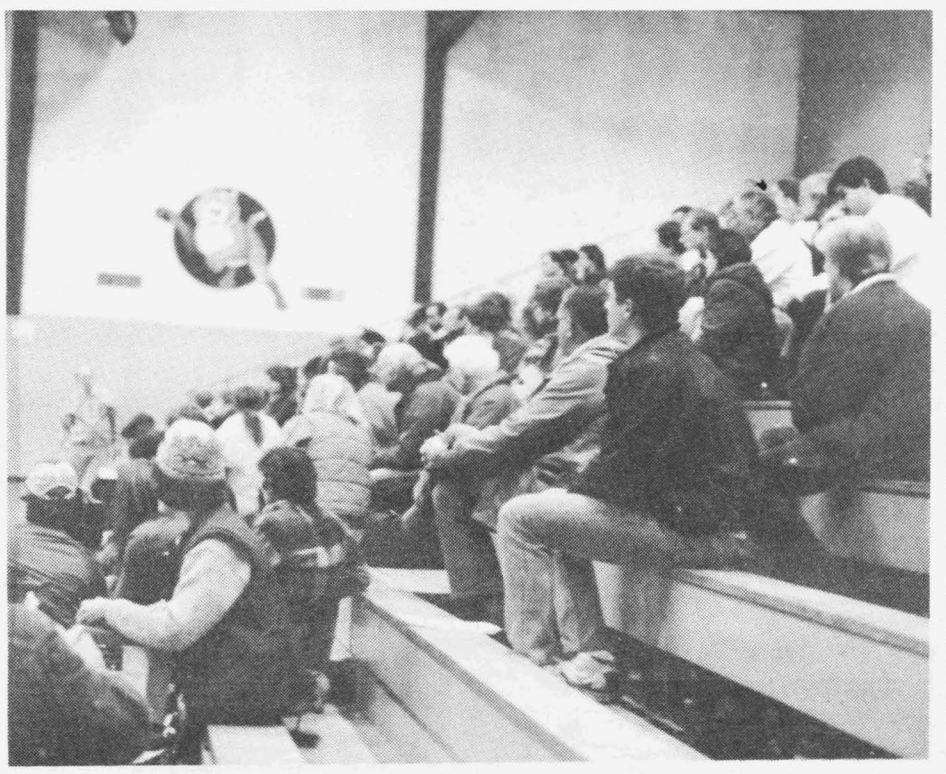

photo by Dave Campbell

At the Hoquiam Solidarity Rally, December 13.

Yesterday, I was asked to speak here today and I thought to myself, "Most of these folks have heard me talk about NAFTA before. They know I'm going to tell them that the North American Free Trade Agreement could mean the end of hundreds of thousands of jobs, the end of worker safety, democratic process, food supply, and environmental protections, and the beginning of a lot of industrial and agricultural displacement. They've heard me say it all before. So what can I say is that new?"

When I arrived in Hoquiam, I started to hear that our rally might produce a counter-rally of Wise-Use movement people and I began to worry, to get afraid. Maybe I thought just for safety's sake, I won't mention I'm an environmentalist. Maybe I'll just say I'm a community person. Maybe I won't even speak.

They're describing the destruction of the future because of past greed and mismanagement. Hoquiam or NAFTA?"

I began to listen. And I listened very hard to all the people who came here today to tell us what had happened in Hoquiam. As I listened, I didn't hear them talk about Hoquiam. I thought I heard them talk about NAFTA. They said the company hadn't invested the money to bring a mill up-to-date. I thought, "What are they talking about? Hoquiam or NAFTA?" They said the company was removing high-paying jobs and sending them elsewhere. And I wondered, "Are they talking about Hoquiam or NAFTA?" They described poor management of a resource and they said that same management claimed the resource couldn't be managed for profit. "Is this Hoquiam or NAFTA?" Here was a company

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OCA in Olympia?

Joli Sandoz

The Oregon Citizens' Alliance (OCA) last month revealed plans to move into Washington state. Office locations under consideration include Olympia, Tacoma and south Seattle.

According to OCA head Lon Mabon, the chances of the OCA coming to Washington are "very likely - above 95%. Our goal at this point is to set up an official chapter." Such a group, he said, would "deal with every issue, from land use to taxes to economic issues."

The OCA recently sponsored Measure 9, an Oregon ballot initiative which would have barred civil rights protections for lesbians and gays while officially classing homosexuality with pedophilia, sadism, and masochism in labeling such "behaviors" "abnormal, wrong, unnatural and perverse." Voters defeated Measure 9 at the polls, 742,271 to 564,232 (57 percent to 43 percent.) A less-strongly worded anti-gay initiative passed in Colorado.

Mabon said that his group is currently redrafting Ballot Measure 9, and that the OCA "would probably file the [redrafted] initiative in all three states [Oregon, Washington, and Idaho.] We want to spend the first year organizing, and the second [1994] working on the initiative."

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Local affectional minority civil rights activist Richard Kirton, president of the Washington Freedom Coalition, said in a separate interview that his organization has launched a petition drive calling on state legislators to "declare the state a hate and bigotry free zone, adopt a gay and lesbian human rights bill, and pass a hate crimes bill which passes constitutional muster and includes sexual/affectional orientation."

Kirton urged people in this area to begin preparing for the OCA now, by getting on mailing lists and if possible sending money to anti-discrimination organizations. "When they start doing their thing," he said,"we won't have time to sit back

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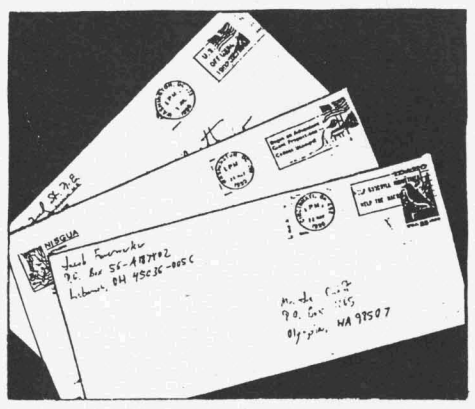

WIP Response Policies Questioned

WIP:

You will probably print this letter. What you won't do is think about it. Your December issue, with its contrasting Bulldog News and Bob Black—Sarah Light forums, is written in a familiar code. It is the code of unknowing self-ridicule.

The pull quote from Doug Campbell protests that "...the editorial policy of this paper allows only delayed responses to ... serious personal accusation." Is allowing Sarah Light to respond to Bob Black's letter before its publication an attempt to reform this policy? If so, the letters page is a mighty strange place to begin. Light's response is editorial in its (squandered) advantage, yet masquerades as a letter. Are all parties mentioned in letters entitled to sneak previews? Or is this a selective enfranchisement for clique members and anyone who writes in the numbingly familiar code of McTherapy, eschewing genuine argument (dialogue)?

Unless the introductions are omitting essential information, Virginia Carhart and Doug Campbell wrote their December pieces concurrently and independently. Defendant Campbell, charged with sexual harrassment, facing legal liability and loss of business (the latter almost certainly already incurred to some degree, before he had a chance to respond to Carhart's November article), does not get the last word. Defendant Light, charged with historical inaccuracy and misplaced priorities, facing only Black's letter, does get the last word. But then again, no one's pain is worse than Light's. Ever.

I suppose the WiP board feel smugly generous (and/or maybe less liable in a libel suit) in that the layout of the companion Bulldog News articles carefully creates an illusion of balance. If the previous issue of WiP is added to the equation, however, we see that some time, in both the chronological and the column-inch senses, is more equal than others. I must say that this math class is tough!

Apparently, what really matters is that Black and Campbell have been prejudged as The Bad Guys (an arguably sexist epithet with which no WiPster would argue). The paper's opening epigram from A.J. Liebling was nice, though.

Sincerely, Joe
Mac Sibley

St. Martin's Picket Aimed at Winery or Alumni Fund

Dear WIP People:

After reading the latest issue, regarding the boycott of St. Martin's alumni Food & Wine show, I just had to write. Okay, I should have written way back before the event, because I had some concerns about the boycott then (but I didn't get off the dime).

Why was this event singled out for a boycott in the first place? Have all the grocery stores, wine shops, restaurants, etc. in this area been asked to pull St. Michelle wines (hope that's spelled right) from their shelves and coolers, and threatened with a boycott if they refused?

If the St. Martin's event was treated the same as all other food and wine "venues" (which I doubt), it WAS for a good cause. Plenty of people need financial aid to get a college education, and for many of them it provides a decent life for their families. Are you assuming that no farmworker has ever, or will ever, benefit from college financial aid? Why were needy students being punished for the winemakers' sins?

I'm glad to hear that some of the picketers found the event to be a joyful empowering experience. The picketers I encountered, however, were hostile and aggressive. Excuse me, folks, I am not the enemy. I haven't bought or consumed St. Michelle wine in years, ever since I first heard of workers having troubles. I've attempted to explain the situation to others in hopes that they would cease buying the wine. There's an old proverb that says "you can catch more flies with honey than with vinegar". The event at St. Martin's could have been an excellent opportunity to enlighten some ignorant people by courteous leafletting, and some education probably took place, but for every person who was educated how many were frightened or angered? The picketers who confronted me were rude and sarcastic, despite my calm and polite statements that I would buy no St. Michelle wine. Seems to me that some people were more interested in hurting the alumni scholarship fund, than in accomplishing farmworkers' rights. If we fail to focus on the REAL goal, we can not possibly achieve it.

Julie Wittrock

Sustaining Fund Announces Fall Grant Recipients

During the fall grant cycle the Community Sustaining Fund of Thurston County awarded $2,052 to eight local organizations. The Thurston County Literacy Network received $480 towards a project geared to Hispanic residents in the southern part of the county. Unity in the Community: Stop Hate Crimes Now! received $450 for costs in producing a public awareness rally and dinner. The Olympia Farmworker Justice Committee received $250 to help pay the honorarium of a speaker scheduled for an education event in April of 1993. The Thurston County Council of Neighborhoods received $200 for an organizing convention and DIGNITY (Disabled Individuals Gaining Necessities in the Community) received $222 for postage and printing of their flyer. The Thurston County National Organization for Women received $200 to help pay the cost of bringing author Evelyn White to Olympia for a lecture. The Evergreen State College Masters in Environmental Studies Program received $150 to assist the funding of the Fourth Annual Rachel Carson Environmental Forum. The Quincentennial Organizing Committee received $100 for travel expenses.

The Community Sustaining Fund of Thurston County provides grant support for progressive, community-oriented projects in the county. The Sustaining Fund was formed in 1987 in response to the lack of money available for developing and maintaining local social change activities. We support groups and individuals who are actively working to educate and involve this community in challenging and correcting the social, political and economic inequities around us.

Grants are awarded twice a year for such organizational needs as equipment, training, public outreach, start-up funding and special projects. We also provide matching funds with local governments. The Community Sustaining Fund of Thurston County is a non-profit foundation supporting community-building and social change projects in the South Sound area.

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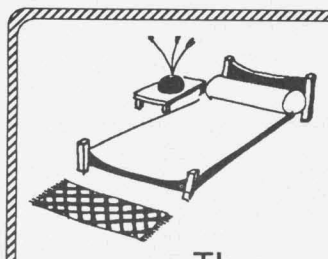

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In Your Face

Sarah Light

(Thank you Terry, Consuelo, Tiokasin, and Gary)

My ancestors say that I must speak out.

Eight years of catholic school, I am in recovery still. Told that I was sinful, dirty, made in some old white guy-in-the-sky image. Told by a very tall nun in very long robes when I was seven years old that I would never feel a sense of sacred harmony again because I was "growing up". Missionary lies of poison. They didn't have to beat us anymore, we were colonized.

Fifteen years of moment-to-moment physical, emotional, and psychological abuse by my family. I am alive today only because of my ancestors. I give thanks.

Teen years into twenties, straining desperately to lose myself in sensation. I followed whoever and whatever beckoned.

I thought I was free.

Rape.

I thought I was free.

I flung myself from experimental relationships to experimental religions. Searching, searching for something to fill the void. The brutal ache in my heart. We thought we were creating a new world of community. Politics, no nukes, save the whales. Where was the Spirit?

And then the New Age yawned open before me, and I jumped. Crystals, medicine pouches, circles, feathers, runes, fire walking, rebirthing, sannyas, sweat lodges, trances,.... all jumbled together and available for cash, check, or credit card. Suddenly we were all shamans.

But this is not a new story.

Rape.

Genocide is not a new story

People gave me crystals, and somehow I always lost them. I let them go. Something didn't smell right. But I talked a good story.

I attended firewalk seminars, hollywood style. Pay your money, walk across, and be free of all sin.

rape is not a new story.

I tended huge pyres of blazing wood for hours until they were potent coals. Our leader took people's money and stuffed their heads with "you create your own reality" babble. And then we were supposed to feel united, harmonious, serene, blameless, fearless, and divine as we walked across the coals. Our leader told us that if we didn't "get it", we were in denial.

Well, I got it, but not what he was talking about. I've always had it, and I've never lost it. The fire I walked across so many times burns in me still.

Abuse taught me to be abusive. amerikkka taught me the ways of rape and genocide. If I didn't want to be a victim anymore, I was told that I would have to play the game. And the game is spiritual abuse.

another name for CONSUME

another name for GENOCIDE

I read the books. I spoke the language. I was groomed as a new age trance channeler. Our leader had dollar signs in his eyes.

rape

Just because you can buy it, doesn't mean it's yours. So many stories I can tell. We can tell. The earth and her people can tell.

beatings, murders, bleeding earth

GENOCIDE

dream december 1986 "...wolves are dying, their throats torn open"

The brutal ache in my heart. I was out of my body with pain.

And then they told me I was to channel Indians. Those "noble savages from long ago." Simply being with people in a sacred way wouldn't bring in the almighty jesus on the cross dollar. I had to play the game.

My heart burst. Suicide looked mighty good to me. Everyone told me I was crazy, and I thought. they were right. I couldn't play the game. I couldn't "surrender". I couldn't "loosen up, create my own reality."

all praises due my ancestors

I am a daughter of my people. I have called to them all my life, and now I hear. Answers in Wind, Ocean, Crow. I come from the people of the Shetland Islands. Fisherpeople, who in the midst of storms, ride the moder-dye: the underswell to safe home. Fiddlers who dance with the spirits. Weavers who work with wool and plants. People of the Cat who etch sacred designs on their skin. Quiet people with hands that heal.

LISTEN TO US

The genocide must stop. Look to your own roots. Water them, nurture them, and get the hell out of other people's gardens. If you are not native to the land on which you walk, WAKE UP! Pray to your own ancestors for purification and guidance. And keep your hands off the spiritual traditions of Nations that are not your own.

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FIRE BURNS IN ME, I AM LIGHTNING STRUCK

genocide is not a new story, and genocide is happening right now.

Put down your fork and knife and stop eating the bones of other people. Your own people have spirit food for you—and if you can't taste it, keep praying.

Yes, you can buy a video on how to do a sweat lodge. You can point to a pipe in a glass case at your local new age store, and buy it...cash, check, or credit card. And the "forest service" of amerikkka "dismantles" a sacred sweat lodge on sacred ground, sticks it in storage, and desecrates the sacred land.

WE ARE IN YOUR FACE

genocide is an old, old story

THIS IS NOT NEGOTIABLE

I can shout at you. Sing. We can talk over coffee. I can carry signs. If you can't hear the message through me and my ancestors, keep listening. Hear it from the people of this land. They have been singing for centuries.

DROP THE COLONIZER'S KNIFE AND FORK

practice the ways of your own people, this is not negotiable.

moder-dye

dream, late November 1992 "...and Annie Mae Aquash reached up, touched me on the forehead, and said 'the land is not for sale'".

Report from Bulldog News Mediations

Virginia Carhart

On December 3rd, Doug Campbell, the owner of Bulldog News, and Tanya Turkovich, a former employee, came to an agreement with assistance from two Thurston County Dispute Resolution mediators.

On December 4th, this agreement was read at a meeting attended by 14 past and present Bulldog News employees. With the help of two new DRC mediators, all in attendence took the opportunity to air their concerns. Some attendees addressed the incident of October 8th directly, while others brought up other work-related issues. A list of concerns was recorded by the mediators and another meeting was scheduled for December 11th.

This meeting was attended by the two DRC mediators from the previous meeting, former employee Virginia Carhart, present employee Jimmy Mateson, and owner Doug Campbell. Doug responded to many of the concerns from the list, but Virginia and Doug could not come to a common understanding regarding the events that transpired on October 8th. They both agreed to meet a final time with one of the DRC mediators at a later date.

Virginia acknowledges that some of her actions in response to the incident of October 8th have hurt Doug both personally and professionally. She maintains, however, that her actions were justified. "Virginia believes that it would be more productive for present employees to work with Doug to refine current policies and create whatever new policies—including those that deal with all forms of harrassment—that are deemed appropriate to both parties. She continues to be interested in the outcome of any further proceedings concerning Bulldog News"

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Along The Color Line

Why Clinton May Imitate Nixon

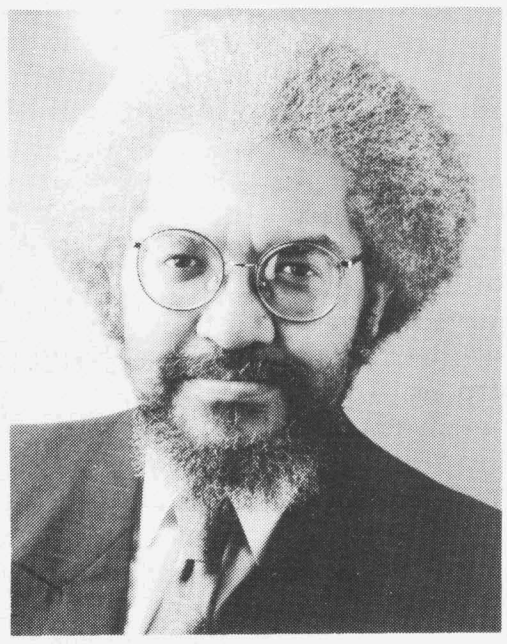
Manning Marable

After winning the presidency, Bill Clinton is waking up to a new reality -- the inescapable fact that running for office is fundamentally different from the task of governing. To get elected, politicians have to build coalitions with a widely divergent set of interest groups. You make promises you know you can't keep, in order to win. But once in office, you are forced to make hard choices, and you can never please everyone. Conservative interest groups, which are always well organized, can easily influence the behavior of moderate and liberal elected officials. Clinton's recent economic conference in Little Rock tried to maintain this difficult balancing act. He appealed to traditional liberals and minorities on some issues, while simultaneously catering to Wall Street and the corporations.

To reconcile these conflicts between his electoral base and his more conservative governing coalition, Clinton could try to adopt Richard M. Nixon's governing strategy of 1969-1973. A quarter century ago, Nixon narrowly won a three-way presidential race, receiving only 43.4 percent of the popular vote. Nixon realized that his administration had to co-opt key aspects of the racist Southern agenda of rival George C. Wallace of Alabama, who received 13.5 percent of the vote on the American Independent ticket.

Nixon made overtures to Wallace Democrats by nominating two Southern judges, Clement F. Haynsworth, Jr., and G. Harold Carswell, to the Supreme Court. Although their nominations were rejected, Nixon was able to establish his sympathy with Southern racists. Going further, Nixon advocated a halt to school desegregation, and called for a period ending advances in civil rights, characterized as "benign neglect." His administration violated civil liberties and used the rhetoric of "law and order" to crush Black urban rebelliousness. By maintaining his traditional Republican base in the suburbs, country clubs and Wall Street, and by incorporating racial/cultural conservatives and former Democrats such as Jesse Helms and Strom Thurmond into his governing coalition, Nixon built the "Silent Majority". In 1972, his coalition receive 60.7 percent of the popular vote, crushing the liberal Democratic candidate, George McGovern.

Clinton may attempt a similar political maneuver, only with different constituencies. Clinton will try to keep his traditional core Democratic electoral base -- African-Americans, Latinos, Jewish Americans, labor, etc. -- while reaching out to two groups: the Perot electoral bloc, and to white suburban, upper middle class voters who usually back Republicans. To his core constituency, Clinton will initiate a number of reforms chiefly on social policy, which don't cost much to implement. Examples would include: the abolition of homophobic restrictions on lesbians and gays in the military; the enforcement of civil rights and antidiscrimination measures; permission to utilize fetal tissue for crucial healthcare research; supporting unpaid parental leave and the recently vetoed motor voter registration bill, which would greatly expand the electorate. The centerpiece of Clinton's domestic agenda will be unavoidably costly, the restructuring of the nation's healthcare system. But on balance, the chief initiatives which will receive the greatest media attention will be those which are relatively inexpensive to initiate.



But on economic matters, Clinton will turn his attention to Perot's constituency, to diffuse a potential Third Party movement. Perot voters, according to polling data, are strongly libertarian: intensely critical of both governmental regulations and the religious/cultural Right in the Republican Party, supportive of a woman's right of choice on abortion, but opposed to deficit spending by the Congress. Clinton will appeal to these voters by putting measures in place to gradually reduce the four trillion dollar deficit. He will support some type of targeted capital gains tax cut to promote domestic economic development, combined with a higher income tax level for wealthy Americans. The basic economic assumptions of Clinton's administration will be cautiously conservative, appealing to the wing of the capitalist class which desires a domestic economic reconstruction program, improving infrastructure and making American businesses "competitive".

The selection of Texas Senator Lloyd Bentsen as Treasury Secretary indicates just how conservative Clinton's economic policies might be. What is the task of liberals and progressives at this point? Shed no tears for George Bush -- his defeat was absolutely essential to reverse twelve years of reaction, racism and neglect. But we should have no illusions about the new Clinton administration. Despite the presence of several prominent liberals in his cabinet, Clinton must be pushed, forced, and pressured by minorities, women, labor, gays and lesbians, and other liberal groups. Unless we mobilize immediately, the Clinton administration could look more like Nixon's than Franklin D. Roosevelt's.

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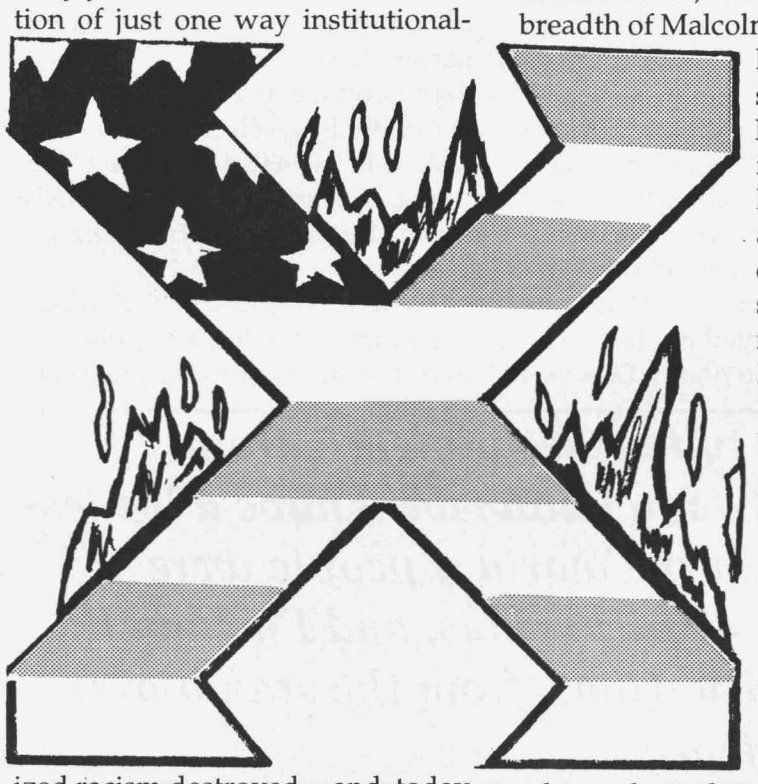
Spike Lee's *Malcolm X*

Jerome Johnson

When I first heard that Spike Lee was going to make *Malcolm X*, I was not enthused. I've always said that Spike could and probably will be a great filmmaker one day. As it is he makes okay movies, but Spike Lee is a very angry man and his wrath colors his work. Spike is angry because of his experience as a black person, and justifiably so; but his ire, bordering racism, tends to overwhelm his work the way an overdose of cayenne ruins a good bowl of red. I've said that once Spike is more mature and less angry, he would really do some nuclear stuff.

Malcolm X is the first sign that this is happening. The anger is still there, but it is tempered by an historical perspective. Lee is helped by the fact that his subject was also a very angry man, militant, determined to educate people, and change a very unpleasant situation. Like Malcolm X, Spike Lee moved from racism to an understanding that racism is a tool used by oppressors to maintain their control. Although the film picks up the story of Malcolm's life in the early 1940s, soon after his arrival in Boston, there is definitely a feel for and development of Malcolm as a person. The film works for two fundamental reasons: Lee's chronological approach and Denzel Washington's excellent performance.

Correctly, the film is based on the *Autobiography of Malcolm X*, co-written with Alex Haley. It is *imperative* that you read this book before or soon after seeing the film, because l) that's the way you can best understand what's going on and 2) the book and film are meant to complement, not supplant, each other. If you're a white person there is no option--you *must* read the book before seeing the film. Only then will you have the necessary perspective. The film depicts Malcolm's life after he arrived in Boston, but, if you're a white person, you need to learn what happened to the child, the adolescent Malcolm Little. In addition to the impact on Malcolm' s life, the early years are a classic demonstration of just one way institutionalized racism destroyed -- and today still destroys -- a black family ... and even though black people suffered the brunt of Klan terrorism during the 1920s, the same techniques were used against Latinos/as, Native Americans and poor whites, especially coal miners.



Lee contends that only a black director could have brought the necessary sensitivity to this film, and I agree . That's because Malcolm X was a black person who devoted -- and gave -- his life fighting ignorance and racism, and you can neither tell such a story nor do it right without being a person of color and therefore experiencing racism and knowing what it is. When he exceeded Warner Brothers' budget, Lee went to wealthy blacks seeking funds. Oprah Winfrey, Michael Jordan, Bill Cosby, Whoopi Goldberg and others answered with checks (I guess they listen to *Up Front*). I sure as hell hope that this sets a precedent (if not a production company): it's goddamned high time we started producing, directing, and starring in films, on a regular basis. *That's* something Malcolm would appreciate today.

As in any film there a few flaws in *Malcolm X*. The role of Malcolm's family is all but ignored. We see a bit of his parents, but more of the father than the mother. We're told how the Klan came to assassinate his father, but not enough of how racism sent his mother mad and the dispersal of the Little family. Nor is any attention given to Malcolm's sister Ella, who was a major part of his life, or his brother Reginald. It was Reginald who introduced Islam to the prisoner Malcolm, during visits. Moreover, Lee soft-pedaled the breadth of Malcolm's life in the fast lane. Sure, we saw the young Malcolm take a few bets, get a little white fluff and blow a little coke. Lee didn't show us the full range of Malcolm's hustles--shine boy, dope pusher, numbers runner, pimp, gunman, wheelman. Prison sequences show Malcolm being called "Satan", but we aren't shown why -- that when he first entered prison he was so bad that even the hardened inmates called him evil. There is no doubt that Lee did this out of kindness and respect; and there is always the risk of clueless people focusing on that single aspect of Malcolm and missing the rest. Yet this soft-pedaling reduces the power of Malcolm's incredible recovery--one must read the book to fully grasp just how far he had come.

Nor does Lee put sexism in a proper context. It's clear that the Nation of Islam was (and remains today) a sexist organization. In the film the role of women is rather starkly defined: either they are loose (Sophia), virginal (Laura) or subordinate (Betty). The absence of Ella in the film is most keenly felt here: Malcolm's sister was a robustly real person, and having her in the film would have provided much-needed balance. The use of a banner at a Muslim rally ("We Must Protect Our Most Valuable Property--Our Own Women") was unnecessary. By that time Malcolm's ideas about women were clear, although I think he would have outgrown them had he lived. After all, Betty Shabazz was no wallflower despite her subordinate role.

Still, Spike got most everything else right. He based the film on the *Autobiography*. He took a minor part, which was good because Spike cannot act and direct at the same time. He does both well, but rarely simultaneously; the film improved markedly after Shorty's exit. Music was used well, serving as a kind of time line. William Kuntsler has the time of his life as a hangin' judge; Angela Bassett shines as Betty Shabazz; and Denzel Washington is simply brilliant. Blair Underwood, take note.

I wouldn't cut class or skip work to see *Malcolm X*, but I recommend reading/seeing it. Highly. It's an essential part of your education--especially if you're black.

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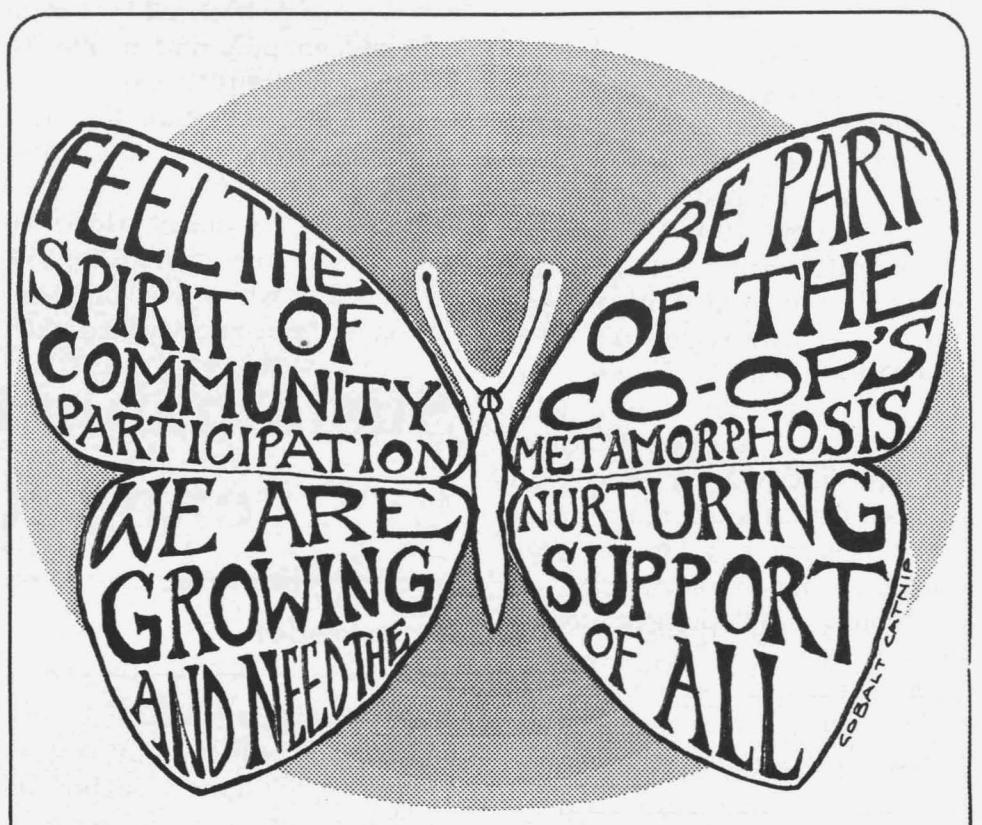
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Confessions of an Apolitical Pundit

Bob Sieber and Bread & Roses

Greg Hohnholt

Last month: As part of a projected writing project for an Independent Study Contract, the author solicited the readership of WiP for a particular type of interview. He was interested in finding "the man or woman on the street who didn't think they would ever see themselves doing anything overtly political or community-oriented, but ended up doing it anyway." His purpose was to get at the roots of his own indecisiveness and cynicism concerning doing community work by talking to others who had effected this transition successfully. The Contract fell through, but here is his first report.

Author's note: This came close to being a genuine confession. I was only kidding with the title—you know, last minute, light-hearted little ironic stab at doing an exposé. Something to pique the masses interest. Arrogant-little-bastard-makes-good type of thing. I've got a bunch of words in my head to string together, but this assignment didn't quite turn out the way I expected.

This is the story of Bob Sieber, a big, burly, bear of a man who co-coordinates the staff, volunteers, and operations of Bread & Roses with his wife Martha. Bread & Roses is one of the living legacies of the Catholic Worker Movement (CWM) started by journalist and author Dorothy Day and a wandering intellectual named Peter Maurin during the Great Depression in 1933. By Bob's reckoning, there are about 120-130 CWM organizations scattered throughout the U.S. today, but they all do "different things. Some run farms to provide food for shelters, others deal with issues like AIDS and domestic violence, but the majority of work right now is with street people." Despite its affiliation with the CWM, however, Bread & Roses' ties to the Church are minimal; this is peace and justice work founded on the simple principles of nonviolence and dogged persistence.

Before my interview with Bob was to take place, I had heard about Bread & Roses' connection with the Catholic Worker Movement from a staff worker two days previously when I was helping out with cleaning up after an evening meal. In the interim, I had managed to dig up a photographic essay that John Erikson had done on a New York CWM hospice in 1973. Bob pushed through the photos enthusiastically, while I haltingly explained why I had asked to interview him. Suddenly, he stopped flipping, and tapped his index finger against a photo of a priest with excitement. "That's Dan Berrigan. That's the person who changed my life."

I glanced at the photo. Dan was about 35, handsome. "I met Dan in Danbury penitentiary [in 1969]. Dan was a radical Jesuit priest who had gotten arrested for breaking into a draft office, pouring blood all over the files, and burning all the draft notices in the street. I had been over in Viet Nam as a helicopter pilot twice, and when the government asked me to go back a third time, I refused. I got picked up by the FBI for interstate draft evasion, and was shipped out to Texarcana and a few other places before ending up in Danbury.

"Danbury was meant to hold 400 men. At the time, there were 850, about 600 of whom we could call hard core; the people who had taken a step up from neighborhood crime. They were still the same as anybody though, really. I spent two years at the penitentiary—it was a good school." I looked up from my note-taking, a little perplexed. Wasn't prison supposed to make you into a hardened criminal? "There's mostly poor people in prison, you know. I considered myself a political prisoner, and in 1969, there were a lot of political people in jail. We formed a community, started organizing. That's how I met Dan."

As if to emphasize the importance of this meeting, Bob pulled his narrative up short and slipped back to his childhood. "I was a violent little asshole; just an angry, angry person. My way of getting around it was by being an athelete, a jock. I was a good track runner, I could run a 4.04 mile in high school. Violence was in my life, I grew up with alcoholism and abuse. What Dan taught me was how to *believe* in nonviolence."

Here a pause, a search for the right words. "The change in my life was a culmination of two things: hearing about nonviolence, and seeing people like Dan Berrigan live it. That was the key. Seeing someone actually live it. Our society teaches violence, from childhood. You know, we'd have a lot less problems in the world if people were taught to see situations, and I mean all types of situations, from the standpoint of nonviolence."

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Bob Sieber has been working with the Catholic Worker Movement since 1978, and he and Marty (as his wife Martha is known to just about everyone) have worked with Bread & Roses for about five years. Three months ago, with the help of the City of Olympia and a coalition of community churches, the new drop-in facility at N. Cherry St. was created out of the shell of an old warehouse. I asked Bob about the increase in the number of homeless in Olympia that necessitated the building of the new facility.

"Massive. When I first came here five years ago, we served 8, 10, maybe 14 people. Maybe 30 people were in shelters on a given night. Now we're feeding 120-150 a night, and there are about 200 people in shelters. A lot more young kids, too."

It isn't getting any cheaper either. Bread & Roses is still $90,000 shy of owning the building, and their operating expenses are about $120,000 a year; quite a leap from the $7,000 budget that they started with in 1981. Bob, however, is philosophical about the money problem.

"There something that Dorothy Day always used to say, and I think it's true. 'If you keep your mind on the work, the money will come.' I'm not a very religious person, but you just have to have faith in the human race. You have to work. It never stops. This is a life, not a job."

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Sustainable Economics Everyone's Responsibility

Meta Heller

Economics for sustainability, ecologically and economically, is an issue on people's minds. But how do we change our economic system so that political decisions concerning our ecological systems are based both on scientific realities and concerns for human welfare? Justice for humanity and justice for nature go hand in hand.

For centuries, religions have encouraged us to practice brotherly love, share our wealth with those in need, and revere all manifestations of Creation. Political and economic systems have warped our developments to produce the opposite result. Now nature is forcing us to pay attention to our finite resources and to our infinite capability to change the political institutions under which we function. We haven't much time. We must learn to live harmoniously among ourselves and with the Earth. The alternative is too horrifying.

Understanding our market-oriented economic system and the decisions governments must make to keep markets functioning within the confines of ecological restraints is everyone's responsibility. We must direct the political policymakers. Political systems are all we have to work with.

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Conventional economic thinking stresses economic growth, presuming that natural resources and the capacity of the environment to absorb wastes are both infinite. Obviously we must abandon the growth mentality, in the conventional sense. As British economist Paul Ekins says, "We have solved the problems of production, but not distribution." Ekins is the executive director of The Other Economic Summit (TOES), based in London, which gathers proponents of the New Economics for an exchange of papers after each G—7 Summit of the main industrialized nations.

Conventional economic thinking calls for "full employment" even though aware automating machines cost more jobs than will ever be created in the service sector unless massive sums are spent by governments to expand education, health

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Friends of theWestside

What Happened to the Yellow Tent?

Alan Brisley

You may have wondered what happened to the "Holiday Shop-In" to support Westside Center businesses a few Saturdays back. Where was the big yellow tent, the balloons, the free llama rides? Where were the promised "singing, treats, coupons . . . . information, fun for young and old?"

At around 11:00 am on Saturday, December 19th, a woman identifying herself as Tina Christian showed up at the center and demanded to know what a small group of westsiders were doing setting up a big yellow tent in the southeast corner of the parking lot. Ms. Christian told the group and later the police that she was an agent for Hodges Realty. She said that she represented the center's Canadian owner Harmen Verbrugge. (However, there is no Tina Christian listed as a real estate agent, broker or associate broker at the records office of the state Department of Licensing. The property owner listed at the County Assesor's office is Magdalenus Verbrugge. Magdalenus lives in San Diego.)

Members of the group explained that the "Holiday Shop-In" was to promote people shopping at locally owned businesses, especially those at the Westside Center, and to raise public awareness about the proposed Jack in the Box drive-through. Tina Christian told the group, "This is private property!" and insisted that they leave. Not being sure who Tina Christian was, the group refused.

Tina Christian called the police. Members of the group said that they had permission from the business owners, whose customers use the parking lot, to set up the tent and hand out coupons and other information. They argued that they had held a similar event last year with permission from the tenants and implicity from the property owner as well. There had been no complaints last year, they said.

Meanwhile Rob Kildow and Nick Adams, Hodges' official Westside Center agents, appeared at the scene but stayed in the background. This raised questions as to why Tina Christian was left to front the effort to protect the Canadian "owner's" private property from an event promoting the legitimate business of his local tenants.

Under threat of arrest the group decided to take down the tent. Instead they set up an information table with their coupons, cookies, petitions and postcards in front of Peterson's Shop Rite even though Tina said they couldn't do that either.

Since the group's plans to leaflet passing cars were disrupted, they asked WIP to print their leaflet for its readership. Here it is:

SAVE THE WESTSIDE CENTER!

We are seeking the community's continuing support of the efforts to stop Jack in the Box, protect existing locally owned businesses and make the Westside Center a more vital, neighborhood oriented shopping, eating and gathering place in the future.

History

A year ago Harmen Verbrugge startled the Westside neighborhood by the closure of several Westside Center businesses including the long time tenant Olympic Drug. Soon we became aware that Peterson's Shoprite, Rainy Day Records, Dirty Dave's, The Asterisk and other businesses were also threatened by huge rent and fee hikes and shakey lease negotiations. There were rumors of the owner's negotiations with Albertson's and QFC. Foodmaker, Inc., Jack in the Box's $1.19 billion parent company, had recently recieved its approval for a building permit to put a drive through at the Center. Things did not look good for the Westside Center.

The Westside Center is owned by a Canadian "strip maller," Harmen Verbrugge. Harmen was behind the bankruptcy of the Tacoma Place/ Home Club strip mall off of I-5.

Successes

This set the stage for a series of actions taken by the Friends of the Westside Center, the Jack in the Box Task Force and Westside Center tenants and neighbors. Petitions, letters, legal appeals, articles, and leaflets were written and demonstrations and hearings were called. So far, together, we have:

- Saved Peterson's Shoprite from being replaced by a large QFC or Albertson's
- Tenants like The Asterisk and Peterson's have received acceptable leases.
- Prevented a drive through Jack in the Box from being built on the corner.
- Initiated a rezone study for the Westside neighborhood's commercial district.
- Exposed the difference between City Council's "sustainability" rhetoric and their actual decisions against the community and in support of Verbrugge (Only Nina Carter voted for us and against Jack!)
- Raised the question why Nick Adams of Hodges Realty is working against the interests of local residents, businesses and property owners and for a Canadian strip maller.

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The fun, however, continues ...

We thought Jack was dead, but Jack is back! Our last appeal before the City council resulted in the rejection of Jack's parking plan. Harmen's new plan was recently submitted to the city and approved by planning staff person Jackie Boetcher even though it does not meet City requirements. Several Westside Center tenants have filed yet another appeal.

City Council stood with Harmen when they had a chance to stand with us. So now we are focusing our efforts directly on the Center's owner. We want Harmen Verbrugge to sell the Westside center to a resposible local buyer who will work *with* the neighborhood.

What you can do to Save the Westside Center and Stop Jack in the Box:

Shop local!

Locally owned businesses maintain local economic vitality by keeping the dollars we spend in our community. Pay the premium that comes with knowing and having access to the people who own the businesses you patronize. Spending money at places like Costco and Jack in the Box destroys local retailers and restaurants. Out of state developers like Vergrugge and corporate chains like Foodmaker, Inc. act irresponsibly towards our community because they are rich and live far away.

Sign the petition

The petition to Nick Adams and Harmen Verbrugge is calling for no Jack in the Box at the Westside Center and instead is calling for a plan to create a thriving retail and community center based upon the real needs of the neighborhood.

For further information, contact:
The Jack in the Box Task Force
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(Economics, continued)

services, conservation of all natural resources, and other public goods. New Economics stresses appropriate technologies, satisfying work, cooperatives run by workers, and convivial life-styles with more leisure time.

Conventional economic thinking promotes "free trade". Free trade agreements operate to the detriment of countries which export primarily agricultural products, such as coffee; or raw materials, such as tin; and favor more highly individualized First World countries which export such products as watches, computers, cars, machinery, etc. Governmental subsidies to indigenous industries and agriculture, to maintain some self-sufficiency and self-determination, is really the prevailing trend, despite propaganda for free trade. New Economics recognizes the reality of the world situation, encourages national and regional self-sufficiency, particularly with regard to food production. What else does New Economics call for?

Arms trading must stop. Wars waste humans, scarce resources and pollute the environment.

International debts between the rich nations of the North and the poor nations of the South must be dissolved. This can be done by First World nations paying less developed nations "rent" to preserve their forests, soil, water, wildlife and other natural resources upon which life on our planet is dependent. Community currencies and decentralized banking are encouraged for promoting the local circulation of wealth and keeping it localized. Land, the basis for all wealth and sustenance, must be used more efficiently and effectively to maintain topsoil and fertility (for example, smaller farms using appropriate technologies and natural wastes for restoring fertility). More people need access to use of land through housing and other cooperatives.

Taxes in almost every nation of the world need drastic restructuring. Initial changes might look like this: (a) Tax the very rich through an Inheritance/Gift Tax and an annual Net Worth Tax . Redistribute to the poorest people through an annual guaranteed basic income system. Use a land-value tax to break up the concentrations of land ownership, allowing more people access. (b) Curb corporate power by requiring all corporate profits to be distributed as income to shareholders. Then tax the income through these shareholders via an income tax or net worth tax. Transnational corporations are virtually uncontrollable by host countries; individuals are not. (c) Reduce consumption taxes (sales tax and excise taxes). In most industrialized countries, sales and excise taxes are the nations' main source of revenue. Russia is being pushed in this direction as well by the International Monetary Fund.

Economic development should be rooted in its local context, both for developed and developing countries. Cooperatives and common-ownership enterprises are the answer to dependable local development.

The Media's Role in the History and Legacy of the Nuclear Industry

Solveig Torvik

Among the first human footprints left in thousands of the high, dry desert of Southeastern Idaho were those of Sacajawea's people, the Shoshones. They tread lightly on the land and made their home in the Lemhi mountains on the northern edge of the windswept plain. Under immense open skies they ranged south throughout the arid plateau bounded by the Snake River on its curving sweep through the lava beds, sagebrush and tumbleweeds of southern Idaho.

Their little understood legacy would become a haunting one: Sacajawea helped bring explorers Lewis and Clark to the Pacific; she thus abetted the opening of the West to White settlers. But her people's voice would cry out on behalf of the land that settlers tamed and tilled.

The second footprints followed the wagon ruts of the Oregon Trail as settlers crossed the southeastern corner of Idaho enroute to the Pacific through Fort Hall, where Shoshones were to be confined on a reservation. Some settlers stopped here to create Pocatello, Blackfoot and Idaho Falls. They dammed the Snake to water the Shoshones' desert; shimmering, wild vistas of sagebrush and sand blossomed into orderly, lush green rows of potatoes and sugar beets. Hardy pioneer legacies such as this one have defined our popular image of the West.

The third set of arrivals left their footprints under the Earth, not on top of it. They burrowed themselves deep into the Shoshones' desert, and there they built secret fearful devices hitherto unknown to man and spoke a language understandable only to themselves.

They were nuclear scientists. Their legacy was the Atomic West. The class excursion most nervously anticipated by my classmates at Blackfoot High School in the mid-1950s was our tour of the top secret Atomic Energy Commission's installation 40 miles west in the Arco desert. As our buses pulled into "The Site," as we called what is now the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory, we could see little to justify the mystique the place provoked in our imaginations; few big buildings were visible. The real work, we were informed, was done underground: that's where the experimental nuclear reactors were kept.

Elevators lowered us down into claustrophobic laboratories where unsmiling men in white coats tried to demystify the atom. I well remember the spellbound anxiety with which we watched a scientist at the window of a "glove box" remotely manipulating from outside a tightly sealed chamber something radioactive on the other side, something that clearly was not to be trifled with.

We viewed these men with awe. We knew they stood at the pinnacle of human knowledge; they were the high priests of science. By mastering the secret of the atom, they had assured America's freedom, we were told. And if we applied ourselves, we too might become part of this elite.

That it was an elite, none of us doubted. Our community of 8,000 mostly Mormon souls, many of them workers bused (drinking and gambling enroute we now learn) to and from the site each day, was inclined to trust authority. So we trusted as well in the wisdom and integrity of the AEC. We understood that something dangerous was going on out there in the sagebrush, but it never occurred to us that this vital task was in anything but the ablest, most responsible of hands.

Half a century later, townsfolk near the site would learn that these scientists, acting at the behest of their government, had subjected them to exposure to hundreds of thousands of curies of airborne radioactivity. People learned that their scientific experiments had contaminated water supplies with radioactive particles and peppered the soils with radionuclides whose dangerous properties will last for millennia.

This sore betrayal of public trust by a nuclear priesthood in Southeastern Idaho is a story that has been replicated all over the West. It's an emerging, wrenching theme of the Atomic West, as historians now are beginning to call it.

This 50 year old story, ignored by most historians or hidden from their view by a self-imposed ethnocentric Eastern bias as much as by government machinations, is a sobering one.

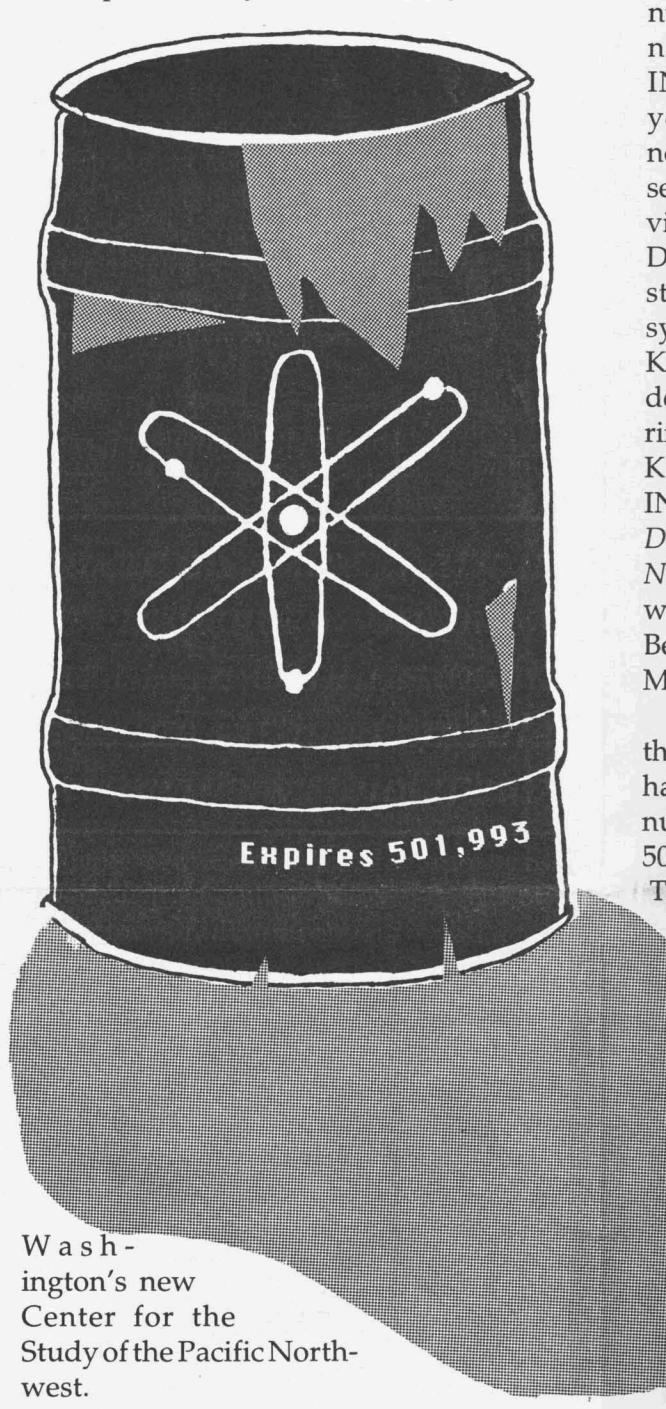
It's a story of abdication of responsibility, willful deceit, misuse of power and human blindness. And it's a story of immense costs to be borne by 400 generations of citizens who will pay the price for the folly perpetrated in secret in the desert of the west. It's also the story of unparalleled technological accomplishment.

From the Tri-Cities' Hanford to Denver's Rocky Flats, from New Mexico's Trinity Site and Los Alamos laboratories to California's Livermore labs, from Nevada's Proving Ground and Yucca Mountain Repository to Utahans poisoned by atomic fallout and sickened in uranium mines, from Oregonians along the Columbia River coping with Hanford's waterborne atomic waste to Texans worrying over their Pantex nuclear bomb plant, we westerners and the people who write our history are learning painful facts that dramatically redefine the West and our role in it.

Many people in the Tri-Cities, for example, will not like reading what Stanley Goldberg, biographer of Maj. Gen. Leslie Groves, head of the Manhattan Project, concludes after studying records long kept from public new.

The community that built the first atomic bomb have always taken great patriotic pride in its handiwork because the bomb, they believe, saved lives by shortening the war. They have always been told that only the humanitarian need to shorten the war drove that frenzied effort to perfect it.

But Goldberg arrived at a radically different version of history after examining the records, he recently told the audience at the first conference devoted to documenting the history of the Atomic West sponsored by the University of



Washington's new Center for the Study of the Pacific Northwest.

"We were intent on making sure the bomb was used before the war ended," Goldberg said. "They were scared to death it would end before they could use it."

Goldberg contended that for Groves, "ending the war with the bomb was a necessity." Too much money, ambition and political capital had been invested to let the war end without testing the bomb on the Japanese.

He makes his awful case based in part on evidence of the "speedup" that occurred early in 1945, when nuclear materials were pushed through the pipeline at Hanford by taking increasingly risky shortcuts. Billets from which plutonium eventually was extracted normally took 120 days to cool before the next processing step. But that time was shortened to 60 days and then 19 days.

Five kilos of plutonium were needed for each bomb. By July of 1945—the war in Europe had ended and all energies now were concentrated on the war in the Pacific—Hanford was producing enough plutonium that "Groves scheduled a drop on Japan every 10 days

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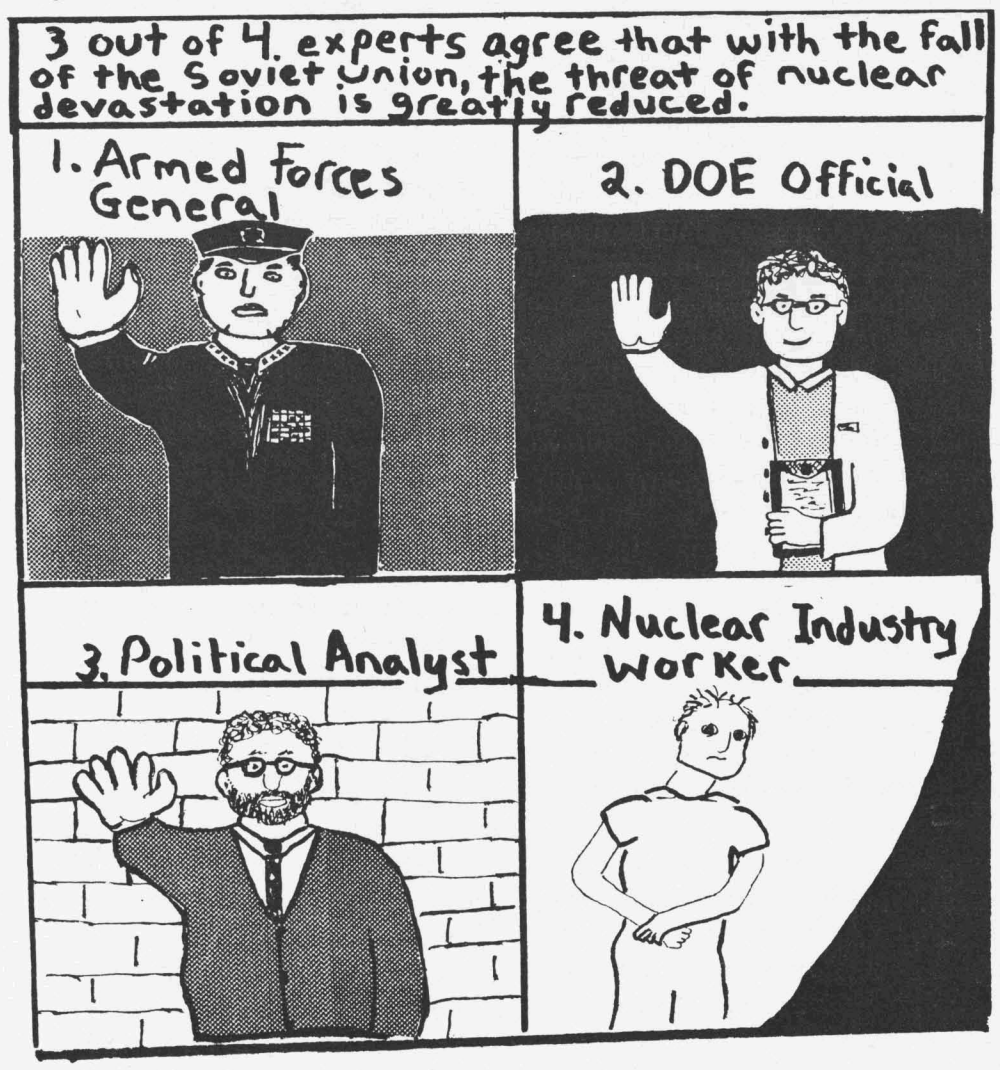
3 out of 4 experts agree that with the fall of the Soviet Union, the threat of nuclear devastation is greatly reduced.
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4. Nuclear Industry worker

GE - Getting Out of the Bomb Business

GE Boycott Continues!

The Boycott of all GE, Monogram, Hotpoint (and in Europe: GE-Thorn, Tungsram, IGE Medical Systems, GE-PET, Creda, Redring Electric, and Jackson) products goes on to ensure that GE completes its withdrawal from the nuclear weapons industry. Now more than ever, consumer pressure is needed to solidify the victory of GE's precedent-setting move.

Ginger Lawlor

INFACT, the international corporate accountability group that won significant reforms in the marketing of infant formula through the Nestle Boycott in 1984, has won another major Campaign. The grassroots organization has succeeded in moving the most influential nuclear weapons contractor in the United States out of the nuclear weapons business. GE met INFACT's demand yesterday by announcing that it will sell its Aerospace Division. GE's Aerospace Division includes work on strategic nuclear weapons systems and the controversial Knolls Atomic Power Lab where GE does critical work for nuclear submarines. The environmental hazards at KAPL are dramatically detailed in INFACT's critically acclaimed film, *Deadly Deception: General Electric, Nuclear Weapons, and Our Environment*, which won the Academy Award for Best Documentary Short Subject last March.

"This is historic," said Elaine Lamy, the Executive Director of INFACT. "GE has been the driving force behind nuclear weapons production for over 50 years, and now they're moving out. The public pressure that our Campaign brought to bear on this company has made it in GE's financial interest to abandon its influential role in the production of nuclear weapons."

Key victories punctuated INFACT's final drive to move GE out of the nuclear weapons industry. In 1992, culminating six years of Boycott pressure, INFACT won an Academy Award for its hard-hitting film, secured the support of the United Methodist Church, increased financial losses to GE's medical equipment division to over $50 million, secured public television and international broadcasts of *Deadly Deception*, and mobilized hundreds of students to challenge GE recruiters on campuses across North America.

Lamy added, "GE's departure from the nuclear weapons industry removes one of the most powerful forces driving on-going nuclear weapons production. The Cold War is over, the public is calling for a change. We're glad that GE is responding to the pressure, and we're confident that other companies will follow suit."

News from INFACT

General Electric (GE) has produced critical components for every nuclear weapons system in the United States' arsenal. GE was involved in the project to build the world's first nuclear weapons. By the mid-1980s, GE had been integrally involved in all aspects of bomb building -- from uranium mining to warhead and delivery system production to nuclear testing.

GE has ensured continued spending on unnecessary nuclear weapons by influencing government policies and aggressively marketing its products -- nuclear weapons -- to the Congress and the Pentagon. GE has consistently had the largest number of lobbyists among the top nuclear weapon-makers. As the most powerful corporation in the United States, GE has been the driving force behind production of weapons of mass destruction.

Over four million people worldwide are voicing their opposition to nuclear weapons production and promotion by boycotting all GE products and services.

Medical professionals all over the world have protested the profound contradiction between GE's life-saving medical technology and its deadly nuclear weapons production. As a result, GE has lost over $50 million in medical equipment sales.

INFACT's documentary video, *Deadly Deception: General Electric, Nuclear Weapons and Our Environment* won the 1991 Academy Award for Best Documentary: Short Subject. Activists and supporters in over forty countries have organized showings of the video. National television stations in ten countries, and three PBS affiliates in the United States are broadcasting *Deadly Deception*, reaching well over one billion people.

In May 1992, GE stopped producing the neutron generator, or trigger, for the nuclear warhead. This is the first step INFACT asked GE to take when we launched the Boycott in 1986!

Between 1986 and 1991, GE decreased its nuclear weapons work by over 46%.

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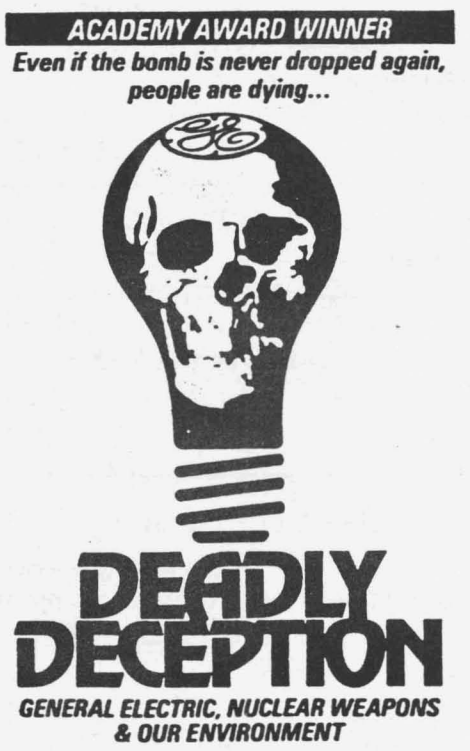
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during the month of October," Goldberg said.

One of the few top people still alive who were present at the creation of Hanford is Col. Franklin T. Matthias, who chose Hanford for Groves from an airplane on a flight out of Yakima. Matthias, under orders to find a place with ample water, power and few people—"virtually uninhabited," in the much-loved phrase of Eastern officialdom—told the audience that "We knew there was no power anyplace but the West."

Echoing the epiphany of Mormon leader Brigham Young upon first beholding the barren Salt Lake Valley in 1847, Matthias said: "When I saw it, I knew it was the place." He became the Army's top representative at Hanford, which could not be built until a number of "virtual uninhabitants" had been removed from their farms.

Asked after his presentation by this writer to explain what discussions had taken place in those early days to deal with the dangerous nuclear waste that was a by-product of bomb making and which now poses a massive cleanup task, Matthias answered: "I don't think we had the right to interfere with getting the material out". He added that "No one knew how much of the radiation would stay present." Historians, frustrated by continuing government secrecy, are still chasing an elusive paper trail to document that assertion for themselves. But some of the information unearthed by researchers participating in the conference supports Matthias' claim.

Matthias added that the present cleanup effort at Hanford is an exaggerated response to an overstated problem. "I think it's a lot of phony stuff," he said.

Keynote speaker Patricia Nelson Limerick, historian at the University of Colorado, told the audience that the Western deserts became "the center of gravity" in the development of the atom because deserts were seen by Easterners as useless and empty.

An ironic footnote to the prevailing Eastern bias in dealing with the west was inadvertently provided by Groves' biographer Goldberg, who told Yakima Nation Tribal representative Russell Jim that until he had heard Jim's conference presentation on Hanford, it had "never entered my consciousness" that the Yakimas claimed the land on which Hanford's bomb plant now sits.

Anxious for employment, Westerners were disposed to make their peace with risks and thus inadvertently aided the development of the West as an atomic culture. Limenck marveled, as well one might, that of the 17 communities now tentatively volunteering to become "temporary" hosts for high level nuclear waste stored above ground, 15 are on Indian reservations, including that of the Yakimas.

"This goes beyond randomness," Limenck said. Westerners, pioneers and Native Americans alike, apparently continue to worship "the diety of full employment even after it betrays them." She concluded, "The story of the Atomic West is essentially a tragedy and I submit we should make our peace with it"

That's not to say we should ignore its sorry lessons. Aside from human illness and poisoned land, the worst, most ironic legacy of the Atomic West is that in the effort to guarantee American freedom, it served to thwart its expression.

At the core of the failure embodied in this tragedy is "the failure of lay people to question the experts," as Limerick put it. But lay people depend, admittedly at their peril, on journalists to alert them to what they ought to be asking questions about. Journalists, not historians, write the first draft of history. So any discussion of responsibility for

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The Development Group for Alternative Policies

NAFTA and Democracy and Human Rights

David Brooks, John Burstein, Steve Hellinger, Jared Kotler, and Lori Wallach

Most agree that a NAFTA should be built on democratic principles, yet the negotiations appear to be reinforcing the lack of democracy in Mexico and they could yield an Agreement that would undermine democratic decision-making in the United States and Canada

Nearly 50 percent of Canadians polled by their government in August 1991 said they thought the U.S.-Canada FTA should be scrapped and 60 percent were opposed to a NAFTA, yet Canada has joined the United States and Mexico in negotiating an Agreement. Citizens' concerns include the fear that their country's national health-insurance program will soon be challenged under the U.S.-Canada FTA as an unfair subsidy to business . There have been no public hearings on a NAFTA.

In Mexico, the Salina Administration denied the Chamber of Deputies before the August elections its constitutional right to review a NAFTA by defining the proposed agreement as a treaty, which falls within the purview of the more pro-government Mexican Senate. The Senate's deliberations have so far been limited to three days of hearings, where public participation and press coverage were severely restricted. In June 1991 on the Chamber floor, members of the conservative National Action Party (PAN) raised strenuous objections to this shift in legislative authority.

The Bush Administration has also played its part in the stifling of public debate on a NAFTA. In addition to pushing through fast-track legislation, which limits U.S. Congressional consideration of an agreement, it has, in conjunction with the Salinas Administration, blocked recent attempts to organize a Congressional forum in Mexico. At this forum, members of the U.S. House of Representatives and the Mexican Chamber of Deputies would have heard views from a broad range of Mexican government, business, labor, environmental and social-sector representatives on a NAFTA.

There are continuing doubts about the representativeness of the Mexican government as it negotiates a NAFTA. The National Accord for Democracy (ACUDE), a politically diverse grouping of Mexican citizens established to promote an effective electoral system in Mexico, monitored Congressional and state elections held in August. It reported that constitutional voting rights were effectively denied to a significant portion of the citizenry. This and substantial irregularities in the vote count were reported by independent U.S. observers, as well. Independent policy analysts and opposition parties consider biased electoral authorities, the ruling PRI's monopoly on television time, and problems surrounding party finances and the verification of voter registries to be important factors in the flawed electoral process.

The result of the fraud-ridden 18 August elections will enable the Salinas administration to pass new legislation related to a NAFTA, as well as constitutional amendments that would profoundly expand the reach of an agreement, without consulting opposition parties or the Mexican public. The PRI, along with several smaller parties loyal to it, now control a constitutional majority in both houses of the Mexican Congress, which could allow it, for example, to change articles of the constitution that prohibit foreign investment in the petroleum industry. It is now unclear, therefore, whether oil is really "off the table" in the NAFTA negotiations. In addition, the Salinas administration is currently utilizing this increased control to change the small farm ejido system that has been protected by the Constitution since the Mexican Revolution. It, too, will be open to foreign investors.

Rulings made by unelected technical "experts" under a NAFTA would supersede many existing laws passed by the legislatures of the three countries. The dangers of turning power over to unelected officials was demonstrated recently when a GATT panel, meeting in secret, ruled that the U.S. Marine Mammal Protection Act constituted an illegal barrier to trade by prescribing how other nations produce exports; the decision effectively denies the United States the right to prohibit the importation of tuna caught by methods that kill more dolphins than allowable in the U.S. tuna industry. Furthermore, because the ruling was so broad, it could severely limit the ability of governments in the future to effect environmental, human-rights, labor-rights, consumer and agricultural standards, laws and treaties. The possibility that a similar panel resolving disputes under the U.S.-Canada Free Trade Agreement could decide that U.S. asbestos laws and the Canadian national health-insurance program constitute an unnecessary barrier to trade and an unfair trade advantage for Canadian companies, respectively, underscores the threat to national sovereignty and democratic process under a NAFTA.

According to independent Mexican human rights organizations, as well as Amnesty International and Americas Watch, torture of prisoners in Mexico is rampant. The official Mexican Human Rights commission has reported that between December 1990 and May 1991 it received 1,913 human rights complaints, including 266 that referred to torture. Non-governmental organizations working on human rights issues estimate that the actual incidence of human rights violations are much higher. In addition to the widespread reports of torture, Mexican opposition parties assert that there have been over 100 deaths and disappearances at the hands of government-linked forces. At the same time, individuals and organizations that have been trying to open up the political process in the country, as well as a public dialogue on a NAFTA, have been subjected to threats and other efforts at intimidation.

Many people in Canada, Mexico and the United States believe that, just as democracy was a precondition for Spain's and Greece's entry into the European Community, true democracy and respect for human rights should be conditions for Mexico's involvement in a NAFTA. While many Mexicans welcomed the establishment of the official Mexican Human Rights Commission in June 1990, as well as certain reforms in electoral laws, they point out that these are mainly cosmetic changes with little enforceability. They believe that international pressure will be required to help establish a truly democratic political system in Mexico.

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the tragedy of the Atomic West would be incomplete without mention of a letter sent August 8,1945, by General Groves to Charles Lindeman, publisher of the *Post-Intelligencer*, two days after the bomb built at Hanford was dropped on Hiroshima. It was one of many such letters sent to publishers.

"The members of the *P-I*'s editorial and news staff have been 'Gentlemen of the Press' indeed as far as we of the Hanford Engineer Works are concerned. They neither asked questions nor talked behind our backs. Your publication has a right to be proud for helping us keep the 'Hanford Secret'."

"Your newspaper was the most widely distributed on the project, and the fact that it completely disregarded various rumors and bits of information concerning our development was a mighty force in holding the morale of our workers. The help that newspapers of the *P-I*'s standard in winning the war is a 'lead' story and should be widely publicized."

Looking back nearly 50 years later, there is good reason to question the role of the press in this chapter of history.

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"GATT and NAFTA mean weakened environmental regulations, public-health-and-safety standards, and labor protection laws."

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UNICEF Report

Children Call for End to Preventable Child Deaths

RESULTS

OLYMPIA, December 17,1992 — State and local officials joined with students from Woodland Elementary School to announce the release of the *State of the World's Children Report 1993* by the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF). Sid Sidorowicz, Governor Booth Gardner's Policy Assistant for Children and Family Services, together with Lynn WaLker-McMullen (RESULTS), Loren Bell (Women, Infant and Children Services or 'WIC'), Priscilla Scheldt (for Judith Billings, Superintendent of Public Instruction), Dr. Ward Miles (Group Health-Olympia), and Jim Lowery (aide to Jolene Unsoeld) summarized the conclusions of the report, highlighted the appalling conditions in Somalia and described local conditions of hunger, homelessness and poverty.

The UNICEF State of the World's Children Report calls for a concerted world-wide effort to improve on recent achievements in child survival, health and education, and to mobilize the needed resources to meet the goals for children set by 71 Presidents and Prime Ministers at the 1990 World Summit for Children. Out of this summit emerged the extraordinary new commitment - "to try to end child deaths and child malnutrition, and to provide basic protection for the normal physical and mental development of all the world's children."

Also at the World Summit for Children, specific new actions against the worst aspects of poverty were formulated into a set of basic social goals. The summit marked what UNICEF calls "an historic step forward toward the achievement of one of the greatest goals that humanity could ever set for itself - adequate food, clean water, safe sanitation, primary health care, family planning, and basic education for virtually every man, woman and child on earth".

As of June 1992, 31 countries have indicated they will restructure budgets to increase the proportion of government spending devoted to primary education, primary health care, nutrition, water and sanitation. As of September 1992, 50 countries have completed detailed national programs for reaching the agreed goals.

In addition, the Convention on the Rights of the Child set a minimum standard for the survival, protection and development of children. The UNICEF report states that most nations have made a start towards keeping the promises made to the world's children. "Immunization levels have been sustained and in some cases, notably China, lifted above the new goal of 90%. Reported cases of the main vaccine preventable diseases are declining, the virtual elimination of polio in Latin America has been achieved, and the World Health Organization believes there is a reasonable chance the 1995 goal of eliminating neonatal tetanus will be met. Many of the world's poorest countries have already begun serious efforts to halve the rate of malnutrition. Similarly, several countries are moving determinedly towards the goal of water and sanitation for all - including Bangladesh, Burundi, China, Ghana, India, Nigeria, Paraguay, the Sudan, Togo, Viet Nam, and virtually all the countries of Central America".

According to UNICEF, for an additional $25 billion per year the world could put into practice today's low cost strategies for protesting the world's children. Specifically, $25 billion per year is an estimate of the cost of controlling the major childhood diseases, halving the rate of malnutrition, bringing clean water and safe sanitation to all communities, making family planning services universally available and providing almost every child with at least a basic education. UNICEF says that $25 billion is considerably less than the amount the Japanese Government has allocated to the building of a new highway from Tokyo to Kobe, a little more than Hong Kong proposes to spend on a new airport, about the same as the support package that the G-7 has agreed on in 1992 for Russia alone, and significantly less than the Europeans will spend on wine this year or the Americans on beer.

Today's news conference, held in Hearing Room "A" of the House Office Building, featured Sid Sidorowicz, Policy Assistant on Children and Family Services, who reaffirmed Governor Gardner's strong commitments to Washington's children and family poverty issues. Sidorowicz was followed by Lynn Walker-McMullen, National Manager of RESULTS, a non-profit organization which combats child hunger. According to RESULTS, 2000 children under the age of five die every day in Somalia. Already, 1/4 to 1/3 of the population of that age have died.

McMullen described the current relief efforts in Somalia as mere "band-aids", and predicted more 'Somalis' in the future if long-term solutions involving international cooperative programs are not put in place. She claimed "the current crisis in Somalia has been developing for years. The cold war practice of arming developing countries, by both the United States and the Soviet Union, has played a large part in bringing Somalia into the crisis it's in today". In addition, "the media ignored the growing famine and continues to ignore pre-famine conditions (around the world) that are currently taking the lives of 35,000 children each day." She went on to say, "Even during the current political debates, foreign aid issues of the one billion people in absolute poverty, as well as the homelessness and desperation of the (poor) people in our own country, fails to capture the attention, and therefore the minds and will of the people. Americans are passionate and generous if they feel their actions make any difference. They live and act at the mercy of the press".

After opening the news conference with a song, Woodland Elementary School students debated a hooded figure representing Death in an attempt to dispel the myths that surround hunger in the world's children. For example, many people believe that to feed the starving in countries having rapid growth rates only contributes to global overpopulation. The children stated that this belief was clearly a myth because birth rates decline only after infant and child death rates decline. To end the conference, the children later sang a second song which celebrated the wonderful gains achieved during the past year which UNICEF today reported.

In addition to 97 national organizations, some of the local groups cosponsoring the release of the UNICEF report included: RESULTS, Head Start, WIC Services, Bread and Roses, Thurston County Health Department, Fair Budget, Olympia Fellowship of Reconciliation, Washington Physicians for Social Responsibility, Zero Population Growth, Association of Washington School Principals, Associated Ministries of Thurston County, Community for Christian Celebration, Washington Woman United, Salvation Army, R.A.V.N., Olympia Child Care Center, Sierra Club Sasquatch Chapter, and Thurston County Food Bank.

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Olympians Against the Death Penalty

A somber vigil on the steps of the Capitol Building on Monday night January 4 will silently mourn Washington State's first execution in thirty years, as the State prepares to kill Wes Dodd Tuesday morning.

The vigil will begin at 7:00 p.m. Monday January 4 and will continue until the execution occurs shortly after midnight Tuesday morning. If the execution is canceled before that date, the vigil will be held anyway to show opposition to the death penalty in principle, not only in this particular case.

"The death penalty only escalates the cycle of violence," said Glen Anderson, a member of the sponsoring organization, Olympians Against the Death Penalty. "Murder is wrong, whether it is committed by an individual or by the government. Two wrongs don't make a right."

Persons who want to participate silently in the spirit of nonviolence are invited to join all or in part of the vigil. Participants may bring flashlights.

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The Trial of Oscar Uceda-Carcamo and Miquel Oroco-Delgado

WIP News Services

The Olympia Movement For Justice and Peace is sponsoring a benefit dinner for Oscar Uceda-Carcamo and Miguel Orozco-Delgado on January 15th at the 1st Methodist Church. The money raised will help defray the legal costs they incurred defending themselves against charges by the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) in Federal Court.

In the last issue of *WIP* there was an excellent article about the trial. I will paraphrase the info in that article other leaflets and my impressions of the trial which I attended December 8th.

Oscar Uceda-Carcamo and Miguel Oroco-Delgado were refugee workers of Salvadoran and Mexican descent indicted in Seattle on charges of fraud and conspiracy in helping El Salvadoran refugees in Seattle apply for Temporary Protected Status (TPS). TPS was created in 1990 allowing Salvadoran refugees that were in the US before September 19, 1990 to remain in the U.S legally for 18 months.

Uceda-Carcamo worked for the Washington Association of Churches Central American refugee association and Orozco-Delgado worked for the North West Immigrant Legal Services. They both provided social and legal services for El Salvadoran refugees and other immigrants. They also assisted refugees in complying with the complicated and ill-defined requirements of TPS.

They were indicted after a year of investigation by the INS, The prosecution's case was based on trying to show that both men purposefully and falsely documented information obtained from refugees.

When I went up to the trial it was the first day of the defense presenting their case. It was obvious that a large part of the defense's case was based on showing that the government could not prove that Uceda-Carcamo and Oroco-Delgado purposefully doctored the case files as the record-keeping in the agencies were not kept in a systematic manner. Central American Refugee Program (CARP) had 7,000 clients in one year with only full time case workers agency head and volunteers. When the current agency head was hired in 1991 she discovered that because of the high volume and nature of the cases no real intake records were kept, only sporadic hand-written notes. Most of the information on the clients was kept in the case worker's memories.

The agency head of CARP is white. Even though she also wrote letters of recommendation and verification to the INS based on reconstruction of past interviews that were not documented in writing, neither she nor any other white agency managers were prosecuted - only the Latinos were.

Two witnesses in other refugee aid programs testified that they were contacted by the INS about the whereabouts of the 7 witnesses; they were told that it was just "friendly questioning." It became apparent to the refugee aid staff that Salvadoran refugees were terrified about contact with the INS and had no clue as to what rights they had in dealing with the authorities. One of the INS agents that the refugees alleged threatened them with deportation sat at the prosecution table the whole trial in direct eye contact!

Two key witnesses working with refugees testified that rural people 's concept of time is different than in the US and they could not really say exactly when they had arrived in the US. Their overriding fear was that the INS would send them back to war-torn El Salvador.

During the trial Uceda-Carcamo's defense attorney brought to the judge's attention that one of the translators used for the defense during the trial was not certified and those proceedings should be thrown out or redone. The judge was obviously stunned but ruled that it was inconsequential.

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Another thing that was brought out was that a witness that was to testify for the defense never made it to this country. A man picked up the ticket of the potential witness with his picture ID and was escorted through Customs by INS agents Unfortunately INS agents in Seattle failed to show at the airport to pick him up and this person is now somewhere in the US, but the potential witness is still in El Salvador. So the US government paid to bring an "illegal alien" into the US.

The judge was flabbergasted- what a way to run an investigation!

What is the real story here? Wasn't the aim of the investigation to stymie any efforts to implement the TPS program and to shut down those agencies providing immigrant services through intimidation?

The Olympia Movement for Justice and Peace is sponsoring a fundraiser for the legal fees of Oscar Uceda-Carcamo and Miguel Oroco-Delgado. As I was finishing up this article I received the news that these activists were found not guilty. The jury could not convict them based on the evidence submitted by the INS. We are still holding the fund raiser to pay off existing legal fees and to also bring awareness to the community of on going persecution by the INS.

Donations will be from 5-10 dollars sliding scale. The event will take place at the 1st Methodist Church at 1224 Legion Way at 6:00 pm.

For further info call 352-2153 or 754-4733.

From the Halls of Montezuma, to the Shores of Somalia

Ron Jacobs

The marines have landed. To save the Somalis from themselves. To make things right again by feeding the starving millions. Finally the military is doing something purely humanitarian. Or are they? What happens if they leave in a couple months? Or A couple years? Will the world's wealth have been redistributed so that tens of thousands won't die every day from hunger while arms manufacturers and their cohorts in government get rich on the profits of death?

...rich nations do have a responsibility to right the wrongs of their colonial and imperial pasts, but troops won't solve the long term problems of the Somalis of our world.

Why Somalia? Why now? Why troops? Before the overthrow of Somalia's government and the country's decline into civil war along clan lines in the late 1980s, the U.S. had a naval base there. In return, we supported its despotic government with economic and military aid. Before that, the Soviets did. Does the Pentagon need a base there again? According to the *Washington Post*, former officials and businessmen who ran the country before the coup which overthrew the dictator Siad Barre are pushing to take over the country again. Whether or not they will is up to the U.S. and its interests. If the U.S. decided to support these people, the marines will have to do much more than deliver food. In fact, if the U.S. tries to impose any government, the troops may end up seeing their apparent mission change. These facts aren't mentioned much by Dan Rather and the rest.

Nor are we told that Somalia has plenty of arable land and was self-sufficient in food grain production until the 1970s. Unfortunately, like most of the world's poor nations, international lenders (esp. the World Bank) ignored the on and off food crises in Somalia and its unpopular government, and poured millions of dollars into development projects designed to facilitate export crop production (including a dam project, which would displace thousands and take away their land). Export crops, which, by the way, accounted for nearly 80% of Somalia's total food production from the 1970s until the fall of the government in the late 1980s. Which didn't leave Somalis much for themselves.

Sure, something needs to be done, and the rich nations do have a responsibility to right the wrongs of their colonial and imperial pasts, but troops won't solve the long term problems of the Somalis of our world. I was struck by the irony of a recent *Newsweek* cover which asked "Should We Be the World's Policemen?" As if we didn't fancy ourselves that already. During discussions of the Vietnam war, a favorite argument of many who opposed the war, but not U.S. policy in general, was that the war was an aberration from an otherwise good and benevolent desire to save the world. Back then it was from communism. Today this missionary zeal takes a variety of guises. No matter what the guise, though, one can be sure that it is U.S. corporate and political interests that decide our foreign policy. Nothing else.

If we don't agree, it is up to us to change it. Only a redefinition of our responsibilities to our fellow humans can do that. This means, for a start, that the haves of the world will have to make do with less so the have nots can make do.

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1992 a Big Year for KAOS

Tom Freeman and Diana Arens

It's hard to believe, but just a year ago **KAOS** was still banished to the loading dock of the College Activities Building (CAB), in an area that we affectionately refer to as the bowels of The Evergreen State College. Last January we finally moved into our new studios on the CAB third floor. Since moving, we have expanded our programming to include live performance shows:

•Chris Russo's *Tune it Alive* Wednesdays 7-9 p.m.,

•Garth Reeves' *Audio Free Radio* Thursdays 8-10 p.m.,

•and singer/songwriter Neal Woodall's *A Declaration of Independents* Fridays 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

These programs, and **KAOS**' expansion, were made possible through the support of our dedicated and loyal listening audience.

Next April, **KAOS** plans to have our new satellite dish installed and operational. **KAOS** will finally be able to offer *PACIFICA NEWS* and other special programs for your listening and educational edification. Time and again, **KAOS** listeners have asked for more news and public affairs programming. Finally, in addition to our locally produced public affairs programming, we'll be able to provide daily *PACIFICA NEWS* (a big step)- not to mention our national public affairs offerings such as *Crossroads, This Way Out, New Dimensions, We Like Kids*, etc., at no additional cost to us. And guess what? There will not be the usual "time delay" in getting those public affairs programs anymore. Really! That means that when *This Way Out* runs its Valentine's Day special, we'll have it in February, rather than March, as it was last year.

We find it important that any programming changes at **KAOS** that come with the satellite be listener driven and supported. Input will be welcome, of course, from any listener. In addition, we are putting together a committee of people who are committed to the mission of the station to meet on a regular basis to discuss and plan for these programming developments. If you are interested in participating, please call Diana at 866-6000, extension 6897.

KAOS' Twenty Year Anniversary Coming Up

Happy Anniversary **KAOS**! As of January 1, 1993, we are 20 years on the air. Watch for special events celebrating "**20 Years In Your Ears**" including a special concert celebration with *The Righteous Mothers* January 29th.

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KAOS Pledge Drive Huge Success

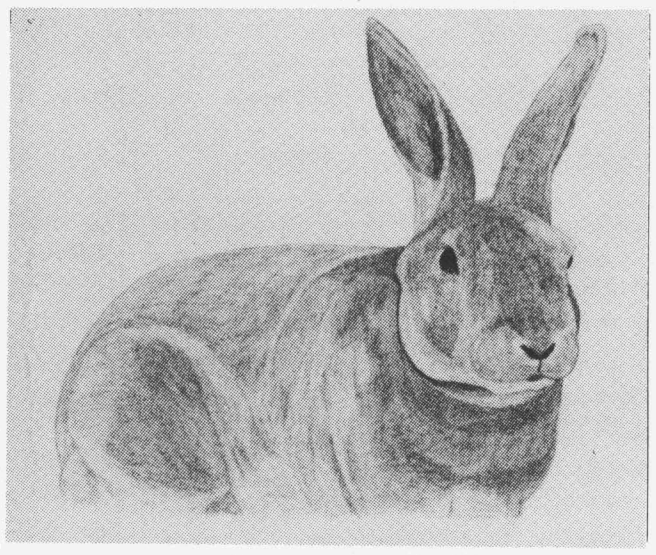
Big thanks and hugs to each of our many listeners who either became a **KAOS** member for the first time, or renewed their memberships during the 1992 Fall Membership Drive. Thanks to your support, **KAOS** established a new fund-raising record: $17,147. Pledge payments have been coming in fast, and I've been working hard to keep up with the volume. But hey, I'm not complaining! I love hearing from **KAOS** members. I really enjoy reading the comment cards that are returned. If the reaction of our listening audience is any indicator, **KAOS** is doing an excellent job of providing diverse, alternative programming done by community volunteers and independent musicians. As always, we remain committed to the community-access programming represented on **KAOS**.

Tom Freeman is the business manager of KAOS and Diana Arens is the program manager.

Boycott: Procter & Gamble Called by: In Defense of Animals

Zachary D. Lyons

"A large segment of the American population does not support animal tests for cosmetic purposes," wrote Dr. David Hart, an emergency physician, in *The Cincinnati Enquirer*. "A growing body of evidence suggests that there are compelling scientific reasons to advocate modern non-animal testing methods. Until consumers are assured that P&G products are safely and humanely developed and tested, public pressure on the company will doubtless continue."



"P&G uses animals in testing when it is no longer needed (if it ever was)," charges In Defense of Animals' Michael Budkie. "Over 200 corporations now make consumer products without animal testing. P&G developed a plan to form an industry coalition with the express purpose of enforcing the continuation of animal testing. The activities of this coalition were to include opposition to legislation, public 'education,' etc. P&G officials lobbied against a piece of California legislation which would have eliminated the Draize eye & skin irritancy tests... [And] P&G tries to paint themselves as leaders in [the field of alternative testing methods] when they are in fact reactionaries trying to maintain the status quo."

In Defense of Animals (IDA) is demanding that Procter & Gamble stop all animal testing which is not specifically required by law. "This covers all non--pharmaceutical personal care & household products," clarifies IDA's Budkie. "This does not include pharmaceuticals because this testing (drug testing) is required by law."

"P&G doesn't approach the issue of animal rights lightly," P&G Chairman of the Executive Committee John Smale is quoted as telling shareholders in a 1991 P&G publication. "Animal tests are expensive, they are time-consuming, and they are difficult to administer. They also subject us to letter-writing campaigns and ongoing explanations and debates."

"Our clear responsibility to assure that our products are safe for human use mandates that we run some tests with animals," Smale continued. "While we are fully committed to the development of alternatives, it is still the opinion of an overwhelming number of scientists, our own included, that adequate alternatives to completely replace animal testing are not yet available."

In the meantime, claims Procter & Gamble literature, P&G scientists are aggressively looking for ways to develop, validate and adopt new test methods. P&G's says that it has a three-point plan which includes looking for alternative science that allows the Company to: reduce the number of animals used; refine and reduce distress for the animals used; and replace the need for animals in testing.

"Currently, about 85 percent of research at P&G which involves animals is for the development of drug, health care and health-related food products," P&G's Lisa Hulse reports. "About 90 percent of the animals involved in research at P&G are rodents such as rats and mice bred especially for testing purposes. During the past five years, P&G's use of animals for personal care and household product safety testing has been reduced more than 80 percent."

"We're doing more than just reducing the number of animals we use," says John Yam of P&G's Human & Environmental Safety Division. "We're also investing increasing amounts of time and money to find new alternatives."

Procter & Gamble claims to have spent over $10 million to develop alternatives since 1986, and P&G says it has devoted more money and top scientists to develop those alternatives than any other corporation in the U.S. And P&G emphasizes recognition it has received for its work from animal rights and consumer groups, such as the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (MSPCA) and the Council on Economic Priorities (CEP).

In fact, P&G reports in its pamphlet entitled *Human Health and Safety Assurance* that it no longer uses the Draize Eye Test or the classical LD50 test, instead using a "low volume alternative" eye test and a "modified" test that uses "one fourth fewer rats than the classical LD50," both of which P&G says were developed by its scientists.

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"P&G has made a number of claims relevant to the reduction of animal use in their labs, but they have steadfastly refused to provide any documentation to support those claims," In Defense of Animals' Michael Budkie argues. "I believe that makes those claims worthless."

"P&G claims not to use the Draize test, instead using the low volume eye test. The Draize test puts chemicals into the eyes of unanesthetized rabbits. The low volume eye test puts chemicals into the eyes of unanesthetized rabbits. Sounds the same to me," Budkie continues. "P&G claims not to use the classical LD50, instead using the up-down LD50. This at most lowers the number of animals used somewhat. It does nothing for the dogs to which they still force-feed chemicals. They claim to have spent a lot of money on alternatives. Their entire expenditure on alternatives since 1986 is less than 1/10 of 1% of their net sales for the recently concluded fiscal year. That doesn't sound serious to me."

"The advisor for the Council on Economic Priorities on animal testing, Henry Spira, showed up at a P&G shareholders meeting to denounce a previous resolution that would have required P&G to stop animal testing," IDA's Budkie emphasizes. "And it is interesting to note that several years after the MSPCA honored P&G they received a grant from P&G. In the material [*The Boycott Monthly*] sent me it says that P&G made a $20,000 grant [1991] to the Angell Memorial Hospital in Boston. This hospital is run by the MSPCA. And while P&G claims to support an end to animal testing, they lobbied against a bill in California that would have eliminated the Draize test, a test they say they don't even use."

But P&G sent to *The Boycott Monthly* a number of quotes attesting to the continued need for animal safety testing of consumer products.

"I cannot recommend that the industry cease animal testing immediately," states Alan M. Goldberg, Di-

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Boycott: Carmé products Called by: People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA)

Zachary D. Lyons

"Carmé's sellout to IRDC was unethical, as Carmé claimed to have a commitment to animal protection and to the concept of cruelty-free consumer products," charges Kathy Guillermo, Lifestyles Campaign Director for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA). "Government USDA inspectors were not allowed entry to IRDC labs in 1989 until a search warrant was obtained. When entry was gained, IRDC was cited for several violations of the Animal Welfare Act."

PETA originally called the boycott of Carmé in September of 1989 in an effort to block the buy-out of Carmé's stock by the International Research and Development Corporation (IRDC). "IRDC is a research facility that uses as many as 60,000 animals each year to test chemicals, pesticides and pharmaceutical formulae," asserts PETA's Guillermo. "IRDC has been fined by the state of Michigan for safety and health violations. Soon after IRDC's takeover of Carmé, an employee died after he was bitten by a monkey infected with Herpes B virus.

"Carmé's advertising was (and still is, to a large extent) built around its no-animal test policy," Guillermo continues. "We would stop advocating a boycott if Carmé was sold by IRDC to a cruelty-free company, or if it once again became a separate company."

The impact of the boycott on Carmé thus far would appear to be significant enough that Carmé has apparently initiated legal action against several distributors which dropped the Carmé line and threatened legal action against one boycott publication which reported on the boycott. Guillermo suspects that the financial impact on Carmé has been substantial. "Nature's Best, Feather River and other major distributors dropped Carmé lines, as did many health food store chains," reported Guillermo. "In 1989, Nature's Best was selling approximately $55,000 per month of Carmé products. One of [Carmé President James] Egide's sons left the company [because of the merger] and is now the U.S. distributor for Beauty Without Cruelty."

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The Boycott Monthly has tried repeatedly to solicit a response from Carmé to the allegations and demands made against it by PETA, including our most recent attempt by registered mail, for which we have proof of delivery. With the deadline for Carmé's response passed, we can only conclude that Carmé *does not* intend to respond. While this does create a lopsided view of the dispute, it is the policy of *The Boycott Monthly* not to allow companies to inhibit our ability to report boycott news in a timely fashion, and we inform companies of this policy.

PETA is asking that all Carmé products be boycotted until Carmé cuts its ties to IRDC. Carmé product lines include: Biotene H-24, Bon Santé, Carmé, Country Roads, Loanda, Jojoba Farms, Mill Creek, Mountain Herbery and Sleepy Hol-low. For more information, or to express your concerns, you may address PETA and Carmé as follow:

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Treatment of Animals
Post Office Box 42516
Washington, DC 20015-0516
301-770-PETA

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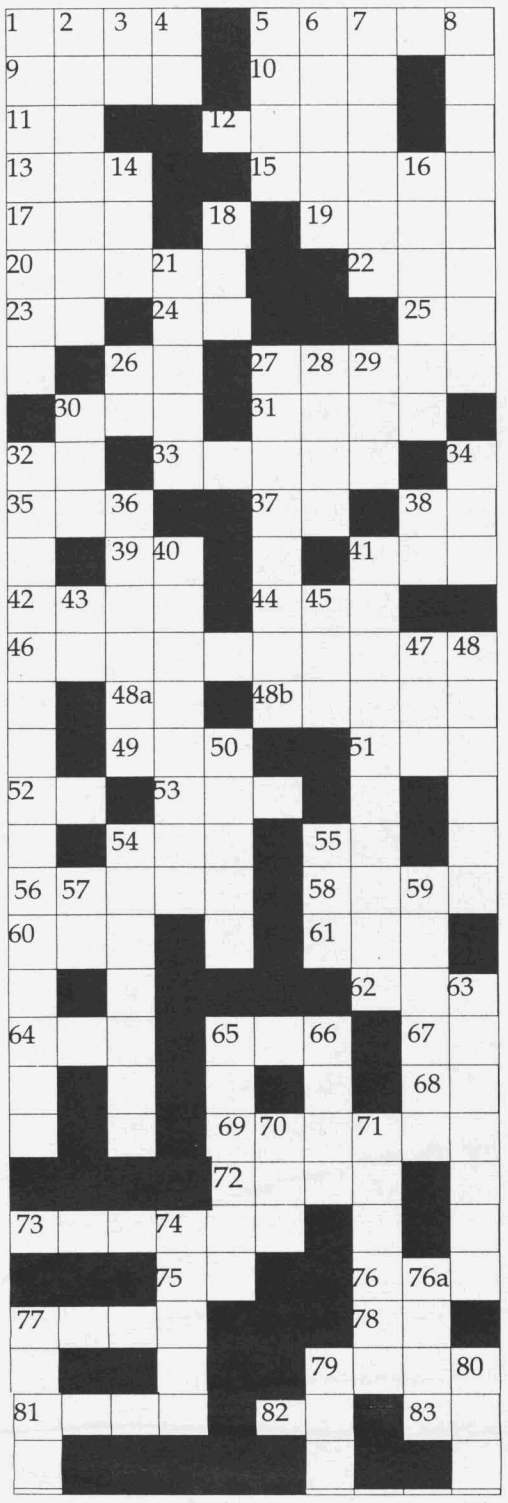

Solution next month

Across

1. Federation nemesis
5. Civil rights activist (19th c)
9. Muad' Dib's sister
10. Dye brand
11. Georgia, abbrev.
12. South African freedom fighter
13. KAOS' "Peace, Love, ___ Joy"
15. The crystal Cola
17. Japanese city
19. _____ Grrrls
20. _____ for Fears
22. Air War Zone, abbrev.
23. A Rough Rider (init)
24. Electronic Warfare (init)
25. Journalist Cummings
26. Tennessee, abbrev.
27. Olympia businesswoman
30. Billiard ball
31 High-altitude, low-opening, abbrev.
32. Regular Army, abbrev.
33. "___ Eagles Dare"
35. Not well
37. Laker Green
38. Either, ___
39. In exemplum
41. Starfleet Naval Construction Contract, abbrev.
42. Grains
44. A basic solid
46." _____ Galactica"
48a. Locker Room, abbrev.
48b. Alaska town
49. Equal Opportunity Employer
51. Roo___ Healthcare Center
52. "From Here __ Eternity"
53. ___ Deli, old Olympia eatery
54. Jehosaphat, abbrev.
55 ."__ The World Turns"
56. Native American activist
58. Current CO of CENTCOM
60. Electronic Countermeasures, abbrev.
61. British naval abbreviation
62. Evergreen Swim Club, abbrev.
64. Capital High School, abbrev.
65. Tube-launched, Optically-tracked, Wire-guided missile
67. Norwegian name
68. Toyota ___-2
69. Outgoing Thurston County Commissioner
72. Actor
73. Texas lawyer
75. Actor Philip
76. Beverage
77. Actor Meaney
78. Same as 38 Across
79. Winter's bane
81. Somali supermodel
82. Take it __ leave it
83. Hitler's Stormtroopers, init

Down

1. French bread
2. Teikyo University President
3. Rhode Island, Abbrev.
4. Same as 11 across
5. Voyage
6. Picard's Number One
7. Heaven?
8. Weapon
14. Dead On Arrival, abbrev.
16. Johannesburg's Southwest Township
18. Anti-submarine warfare, abbrev.
21. What one does with a TESC CRC permit
26. You, in France
27. Breakfast of Champions
28. International Association of Rock Climbers, abbrev.
29. Breakfast of Champions
30. Auto salesman Worthington
32. 1992 Nobel Peace Prize Winner (2 words)
34. Curve
36. Malcolm X's birth surname
38. Officer in charge, abbrev.
40. Female hormone
41. Difficult
43. Anti-aircraft fire, abbrev.
45. Computer Services, Inc, abbrev.
47. Also known as...
48. It's off the Somali coast
50. He walked with God
54. The first black woman in space
55. Expression of satisfaction
57. European Community
59. To take for granted
63. Actress Barbara
65. Civil Warrior Harriet
70. Association of American Nuns, abbrev.
71. District of Columbia Representative
74. Actor/comedian Wayans
76a. Sensual one
77. He "whacked" Abel
79. ____ Lanka
80. The bane of Humankind

Last Month's Solution

Flickering Passerines

Flickering passerines twittering by,
Their small bold bodies clear against the sky,

Flittering diving among the leafless trees,
Playing tag and who gets picked with their tiny beaks,

And why familiar strangers in the Winter Wet so cold,
Do you return happily to my woodland with pleasant song so bold?

What did your parents teach you about the dimming light?
It seems to have been effective because your din is always bright.

Birch Shapiro

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rector of the Johns Hopkins Center for Alternatives to Animal Testing. "Until non-animal tests are proven to be at least as effective as animal tests - and they have not yet - companies must continue to use animal tests to fulfill their moral and legal obligations to ensure the safety of their products."

"The American Association of Poison Control Centers (AAPCC) supports the safety testing of consumer products to determine the toxicity of these products prior to their introduction to the marketplace," reads the quote attributed to the AAPCC. "This information is important for poison centers to use to evaluate emergency medical situations involving inappropriate exposures in humans."

"The Consumer Federation of America opposes efforts to outlaw the use of animals for the purpose of testing the safety of consumer products, such as household substances, drugs and cosmetics," the Federation argues. "Outlawing animal testing... would make it impossible to determine the adverse effects of many chemical ingredients used in thousands of consumer products."

"First, animal tests do not protect consumers from unsafe products," asserts Dr. Daniel Hart. "One needs only to go to any pharmacy or grocery store to view an array of readily available products which are toxic if swallowed, inhaled or splashed in the eye. Indeed, the American Association of Poison Control Centers reports that each year, more than 200,000 people, many of them children, require emergency treatment after being exposed to hazardous or poisonous cosmetics and household products.

"Second, data from animal tests are of no help in treating toxic exposures," Dr. Hart continues. "In my 15 years of caring for emergency patients, I have never found the results of an animal test to be of any benefit in guiding the treatment of patients who have been poisoned. Physicians rely instead on case reports, knowledge of the chemical makeup of the product, and experimental data from human clinical trials to determine the optimal course of treatment. Animal test results are simply not transferable to human experience.

"Third, animal tests provide only an illusion of safety, because of the significant anatomical and physiological differences between [other] animals and humans. Predictions of product safety based on animal data, therefore, are fraught with uncertainty. Histamine phosphate, selenium sulfide, certain detergents and a male hairdressing formula are among the many compounds that proved safe in eye irritancy tests on rabbits, only to be found damaging to human eyes."

"Alternatives [to animal testing], such as cell cultures, chemical tests and computer modeling, have proven to be less expensive and as accurate, if not more accurate, than animal tests," Dr. Hart concludes. "Public pressure has caused several leading cosmetics firms, like Avon and Revlon, to abandon animal tests for more modern methods."

In Defense of Animals is asking consumers to boycott all Procter & Gamble products, including: Bounce, Cascade, Charmin, Chloraseptic, Comet, Crest, Crisco, Dawn, Downy, Duncan Hines, Era, Fisher Nuts, Folgers, Head & Shoulders, Icy Hot, Ivory, Jif, Joy, Kirk's Castile, Luvs, Norwich Aspirin, Oil of Olay, Pampers, Pepto-Bismol, Pringles, Puffs, Puritan oil, Spic & Span, Tide and Vick's cold products. A complete list of P&G products, as well as an examination of P&G's environmental record and boycott history, will appear in an up-coming issue of *The Boycott Quarterly*.

For more information, or to express your concerns, you may contact Procter & Gamble and In Defense of Animals as follows:

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going where the cost of manufacturing is cheaper, a company with no commitment to the community or to the workers. "Am I losing it? Is this Hoquiam or NAFTA?" They said there were multiple shops and communities in the same situation. I thought, "They're talking of creating a competition for poverty, a race to the bottom in standards. Hoquiam or NAFTA? They're describing the destruction of the future because of past greed and mismanagement. Hoquiam or NAFTA?"

I thought, "How am I going to ell them NAFTA and Hoquiam are the same thing--Corporate greed and multi-nationals making decisions about people's lives without real caring. How am I going to tell them? They don't want to hear from me, an environmentalist." Well, whether they want to hear from me or not, I will say to them, I say to you: The only way were going to reverse this Hoquiam, that NAFTA, is <u>together</u>.

The only solution for all of us, whether in Hoquiam or the maquiladoras of Mexico or the Hoquiams and the maquiladoras yet to come for all of us--the only solution is for all of us to pull in the same sustainable direction, <u>together</u>. We all came here to Hoquiam, we environmentalists and workers and social justice activists. We came to stand in solidarity with you, Hoquiam.

Whether you want us or not. Whether you like us or not, we are here and we tell you, you are my brother and my sister. You don't have to like me--my own brother doesn't like me. And you don't have to forgive the past--I know we have history and agenda together. But we are here. We don't stand in solidarity with you out of pity or kindness or decency. We stand with you because we recognize we <u>are</u> you.

You are not only our brothers and our sisters. You are <u>us</u>, victims of greed and shortsightedness, hoping your lives haven't been shipped to a cheaper elsewhere. You are our brothers and our sisters in Canada and in Mexico. You are from the auto plants closed in Canada and the Ford workers fired in Mexico for organizing. You and we are facing the devastation that happens when there is no caring. We are facing it together. We are in solidarity with ourselves, whether we choose to recognize it or not.

NAFTA or Hoquiam? Hoquiam or NAFTA? What can I say? I think I'll end by singing. You can either choose the pain of listening to me sing alone or you can join in. You know the tune:

"Just like a tree that's planted by the water's edge,
We shall not be moved.
We're searching for solutions,
We shall not be moved.
We're searching for solutions,
We shall not be moved.
Just like a tree that's planted by the water's edge,
We shall not be moved."

(That's what I remember: A roomful of people singing together and clapping for themselves.)

Beth Burrows is an organizer for the Fair Trade Campaign in Washington.

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and play games. We can't do educational efforts without money and support from the community."

A statewide organization based in Seattle, Washington Citizens for Fairness: Hands Off Washington, formed in November for the express purpose of opposing anti-gay and lesbian political action in the state. According to strategy committeeperson Don Moreland, the group consists of members of the business, religious, lesbian/gay and people of color communities. "This kind of campaign works best when everyone participates," he said. "One of the things we're trying to do is build a very large coalition to defend the state of Washington against attacks of the far unreligious right." A similar coalition successfully opposed an anti-gay initiative in Seattle three years ago.

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A REMINDER FROM THE FOLKS AT INTOWN

The OCA's only direct electoral success has come at the expense of gay men and lesbians. In 1988, the group backed a referendum which overturned then-governor Neil Goldschmidt's executive order banning anti-gay discrimination in state agencies. That success was limited, however; ironically, the Oregon Court of Appeals declared the 1988 anti-gay rights measure unconstitutional just days after the acrimonious and expensive campaign to pass Measure 9 failed. Another OCA-backed measure, an amendment to Springfield, Oregon's charter which banned civil rights protections for gay men and lesbians in that city, passed in May, 1992, and remains in effect.

Past OCA stands have included opposition to abortion (a 1989 OCA-supported anti-abortion initiative failed at the polls), parental leave (on the grounds that it is anti-business), state divestment from South Africa (racist), and state pre-kindergarten programs (anti-family), according to the Coalition for Human Dignity, an Oregon group monitoring right-wing activity. During the recent War in the Gulf, the OCA mobilized thousands of demonstrators in three pro-war, pro-troop demonstrations. The organization also maintains ties to national new right organizations, most notably Pat Robertson's Christian Coalition, of which the OCA is the Oregon affiliate. The national group donated at least $20,000 to the OCA's Measure 9 campaign.

Joli Sandoz writes occasionally for Works In Progress.

Get Involved Now to Stop the OCA

When asked what she'd do differently if she had to do it again, Peggy Norman, who directed Oregon's No on 9 Campaign, had two words of advice: "Start earlier." Now is the time to support local groups working against bigotry and discrimination in Washington state.

Washington Citizens for Fairness: Hands Off Washington Campaign
P.O. Box 4828
Seattle, WA 98104
(206) 781-3584

Washington Freedom Coalition
206-943-4662 (Olympia)

The Privacy Fund of Washington State
1-800-488-8261

A 50 page backgrounder on the OCA titled "Rolling Back Civil Rights: The Oregon Citizens' Alliance at Religious War" is available for $7.00 from Coalition for Human Dignity, P.O. Box 40344, Portland, OR, 97240, 503-227-5033.

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